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# 1ST ARMY STORMS FLAMING AACHEN



**Spurring Registration:** Thousands in the fur market get a reminder to qualify this week so they can vote Nov. 7 to reelect President Roosevelt. Open air rally, run by CIO Furriers Joint Council, drew an audience that jammed 29 St. bet. Sixth and Seventh Ave. Rep. Vito Marcantonio and Irving Potash and Joseph Winogradsky, Council manager and assistant manager respectively, were among those who discussed campaign issues, urged each listener to register himself and get others to register.  
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**ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, Paris, Oct. 11 (UP).—**American pilots reported tonight that the Germans were evacuating Aachen, their trucks moving to the northeast.

**ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, Paris, Oct. 11 (UP). —**Doughboys stormed burning Aachen tonight in the wake of an all-out bombardment—the answer to a rejected surrender ultimatum—and American guns and planes shifted their fire onto two German columns which Adolf Hitler had ordered to relieve the city or die in the attempt.

Slashing in from the northeast and east, the German relief columns, including tanks, were dispersed with heavy losses by the wall of American fire but were renewing their attacks in what could well be the greatest battle of the western campaign.

The fate of thousands of civilians still in besieged Aachen was decided for them by the military command. Although numerous white flags were displayed from private buildings on Wednesday morning, the ultimatum expired at 10:50 a. m. without official answer.

At 12:30 p. m. the attack was resumed by order of Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges of the U. S. First Army. More than 100 big American guns of all calibers ringing the city poured in a concentrated fire and scores of P-38 Lightning dive-bombers wheeled down on garrison strongpoints in a three-hour and 20-minute bombardment.

Despite the efforts of German officers who even post-

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## Don't Let the GOP Steal Your Vote!

Once again the Dewey machine is trying to rob the people of New York of their right to vote. Having made it tough for the soldiers to cast their ballots, it is now, in scandalous and brazen fashion, placing all kinds of obstacles in the way of the civilian voters in New York City who are pouring out to the polls in unprecedented numbers.

The soldiers from New York did not permit the difficulties presented by the Dewey soldier vote law to stand in their way. They have understood that the battle for democracy takes place at home as well as on the battle field.

It is up to us here to see that our right to vote is not taken away by a handful of reactionary politicians out to seize power by throwing a monkey wrench into the processes of democracy.

Organizations and individuals should protest to the Mayor and to the Board of Elections, demanding that

they put an end to the sabotage of the Republican inspectors.

Each individual voter, however, must stand up and fight for his vote. Do not let anyone trick you or tire you into giving it up. It is too precious and important. Seek out the American Labor Party for assistance, if necessary, but see that you get that vote. And see, also, that your neighbors, shopmates and friends are not robbed of their vote.

Comparative registration figures for the first two days are shown in the following table:

Borough	1944		1940	1936
	2d day	2-day total	2-day total	2-day total
Manhattan	116,302	218,921	210,779	211,781
Bronx	102,743	189,898	163,629	151,001
Brooklyn	183,232	339,595	303,630	281,208
Queens	95,275	177,225	135,357	120,962
Richmond	9,520	17,696	16,848	16,686
Total	507,072	943,335	830,243	781,638



# Council Acts on Vote Obstruction; People Reveal GOP Skulduggery

By HARRY RAYMOND

With both majority and minority spokesmen charging GOP election inspectors with sabotaging and slowing down registration of voters, the City Council yesterday adopted a resolution calling on the Board of Elections, the Board of Education and the Police Department to exert every effort to assure the franchise to all who desire to vote.

One after another, Democratic, Labor Party and Communist Councilmen took the floor and recited in detail experiences of voters who were turned away from registration booths and pushed around by Republican partisans. They demanded immediate steps to end the confusion.

"Mayor LaGuardia has done everything in his power," declared Councilman Louis Cohen of the Bronx and long-time foe of the Mayor. "But one of the political parties is dead set against naturalized first voters."

## SCENES FROM ANOTHER LAND

He cited many cases of where naturalized citizens were kept from registering in his borough, stating that in some polling places in the Bronx one would not think he was in the United States.

Cohen followed Councilman Michael J. Quill, Laborite, who told of war workers having to stand in line four and five hours.

"If something isn't done," Quill said, "we may have the disgraceful scene of the polls closing Saturday with 100,000 citizens who wanted to register being denied that right."

Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Communist, congratulated his colleagues for sponsoring the resolution, and said the Council action would be welcomed by southern Negroes now in New York who received their first voting rights when they became residents of this city.

## CHAIRS FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE

A suggestion that all Councilmen see that their political organizations get chairs to crowded election booths for elderly voters was made by Councilman Peter V. Cacchione, Brooklyn Communist. He said many of these old people had been discouraged from registration by being forced to wait hours in line.

Vice-chairman Joseph T. Sharkey, Councilman Edward Vogel and Councilman J. A. Phillips joined the others in demanding an end to GOP registration skulduggery.

A. J. Phillips, Queens Republican, made a brief but weak defense against charges by the Democrats, Laborites and Communists that his party was maneuvering for a small vote. He said that was not the case. He voted for the resolution, as did Stanley M. Isaacs and Mrs. Genevieve B. Earle, the two remaining Republicans.

Earlier the Council, with Mrs. Earle recording as "not voting," sent a resolution to the Mayor, Board of Estimate and Sanitation Commissioner asking that sanitation workers be paid for overtime Sunday work.

By unanimous vote, the body charged in another resolution that many landlords in the city were profiteering in commercial rent, raising the rents in some cases as high as 300 per cent and driving business from the city. All testimony and findings of a Council investigation of commercial rent gouging was sent to the Joint State Legislative Committee on Rents with a demand from the Council for action.

By MAX GORDON

Republican attempts to place obstacles in the way of city registrants threaten to deprive hundreds of thousands of citizens of their right to vote. Reports from polling places throughout the city indicate that large numbers are being turned away nightly because of the delaying and obstructive tactics of GOP officials. Reports last night also indicated that citizens standing on lines for hours waiting to be signed up, were bitterly resentful of these tactics of GOP inspectors.

One report told of a man at an east side polling place wearing a Dewey button who muttered: "This is the last straw. Now I believe what they say about Dewey and the soldier vote."

Republican tactics included:

1. Not allowing foreign born to register unless they had citizenship papers with them, despite the fact that they had voted before.

2. Pretending to be deaf or drunk, and thereby consuming time. The inspectors hoped to discourage many of those standing on line from further waiting.

3. Delaying the opening of the polls, in some places by as much as one hour, by coming late, and insisting on closing them at 10:30 even though many remained on line unregistered.

4. Utterly inadequate preparation by the Republican-controlled State Board of Regents for handling of literacy tests. Virtually every assembly district in the city reported hundreds unable to take these tests because of lack of examiners or lack of tests.

As in the case of the soldier vote, however, civilian registration is exceeding all expectations in spite of these obstacles. The total turnout of 943,335 for the first two days exceeded 1940's history-making registration for the two days by 113,000. While it is true that a storm in 1940 kept the figure down the second day, mathematicians insist that if the current rate is continued for the rest of the week and doubled on Saturday, when the polling places will be kept open from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., the 1940 final figure of 3,390,000 registered will be approached.

National Chairman Robert Hannegan said the turnout was "very encouraging for Roosevelt." He added that reports from other sections of the country show that all previous records are being broken in important areas.

At State headquarters, Democratic Chairman Paul Fitzpatrick called the results "phenomenal in view of the handicaps and difficulties put in the way of the people by those who want a small vote." Vice-Chairman Doris Byrne said the telephone lines at State headquarters were swamped Monday night with complaints over registration sabotage.

## Can Register Even If Papers Are Mislaid

Supreme Court Justice Ernest E. L. Hammer of the First Judicial District yesterday ruled that a naturalized citizen who has mislaid his papers may register if he takes an oath presented by the election inspector. The same applies to his daughters and sons.

The matter was brought to court by the American Labor Party in the case of a naturalized citizen who had voted 34 years, five years in the election district in which he requested to be registered Tuesday night. The Board of Election Inspector refused because he failed to present his father's papers, which had been mislaid.

ters were swamped Monday night with complaints over registration sabotage.

Demands for extending the registration period into next week came from Councilman Michael Quill and State Senator Louis Heller, Kings Democrat. Heller wired Gov. Dewey to call a special legislature session Monday to extend the period through next week.

Republican district leader Irving Levy was charged by Rep. Vito Marcantonio and Eugene P. Connelly of the New York County, American Labor Party, with deliberately placing obstacles in the path of Puerto Rican and Negro voters.

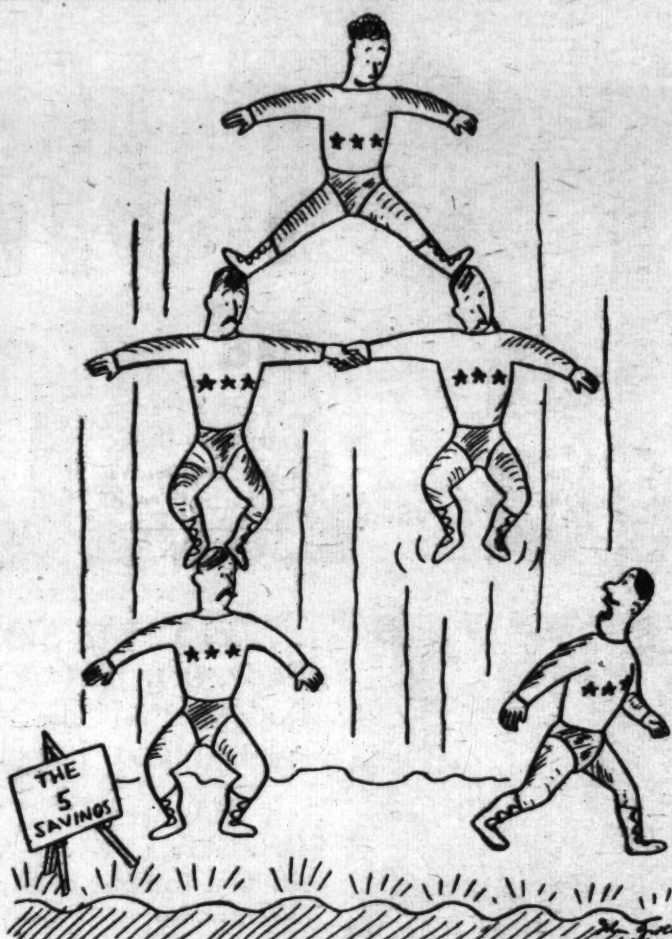
## ALP ACTIVE

In addition to the two major party machines, the vote this year is being brought out by an energetic American Labor Party apparatus in every assembly district in the city, and by the work of the CIO in the ships.

One ALP house captain reported at an east side club last night that she found six eligible foreign-born voters in her house who had no knowledge of the voting laws and had no intention of breaking through what seemed to them an insurmountable barrier. She took them down to ALP headquarters to get a sample literacy test. She then took them to get their tests and from there to the polls.

## Registration figures for the first two days by Assembly District:

BROOKLYN		MANHATTAN	
A.D.		A.D.	
1	16,619	1	17,106
2	25,738	2	7,890
3	6,755	3	17,455
4	11,403	4	13,231
5	8,761	5	25,524
6	11,659	6	12,065
7	10,722	7	13,069
8	6,742	8	14,917
9	18,704	9	18,603
10	12,582	10	11,290
11	15,882	11	7,818
12	13,873	12	12,847
13	20,528	13	10,162
14	9,621	14	8,520
15	20,953	15	23,784
16	9,851	16	7,540
17	15,948		
18	21,945		
19	8,492		
20	18,106		
21	12,052		
22	21,040		
23	13,624		
Totals	339,595	Totals	218,921
BRONX		RICHMOND	
A.D.		A.D.	
1	11,726	1	9,285
2	15,866	2	8,431
3	15,786		
4	7,653		
5	10,270		
6	13,249		
7	12,870		
8	18,747		
9	14,431		
10	14,875		
11	10,673		
12	22,075		
13	23,761		
Totals	119,858	Totals	177,226



"I forgot to register, fellows."

## Dawson Rips GOP as Negro-Baiters' Haven

By EUGENE GORDON

Representative William L. Dawson (D-Ill), director of the Democratic Party's campaign among Negro voters, declared yesterday that nobody should be surprised that Southern white-supremacists are campaigning for Governor Dewey's election.

In an interview at his Hotel Biltmore headquarters, Dawson told newsmen that several well-known Southern "race-baiters" had urged Dewey's election. His statement was interpreted as directed at Sam M. Johnston, Alabama lawyer, who, as reported in yesterday's Daily Worker, publicly resigned as a Roosevelt elector because he felt a Republican administration under Dewey would promote the reactionary South's jimmecrow policy.

## ANTI-NEGRO RABBLE ROUSERS

"The continuous attack made by the Roosevelt administration against the tradition of jimmecrow in the South has led the anti-Negro rabble-rousers to revolt against the President," Rep. Dawson said. "They know Gov. Dewey does not have the interest of Negroes at heart and that he will not disturb the vicious discrimination pattern which handicaps development of broad masses of our people."

He added that the "fairminded, farsighted progressive Southerner is for Roosevelt."

Rep. Dawson, comparing the relative positions of Roosevelt and Dewey on Negro employment, said:

"Despite some Southern and some Northern opposition, President Roosevelt created the Fair Employment Practice Committee and has worked consistently to improve the lot of all low-income groups, irrespective of race. Gov. Dewey refused to support fair employment legislation in New York state. Fascist-minded elements, North and South, are grateful."

## High Court Gets Tex. Labor Case

WASHINGTON Oct. 11. — The right of a state to make laws suspending a federal statute was challenged in the U.S. Supreme Court today during re-argument of the Texas case involving the arrest of President R. J. Thomas of the United Auto Workers for soliciting members for the Oil Workers International Union (CIO) at Pelley, Tex., without a Texas labor organizers' license.

Thomas was convicted of violating a temporary injunction prohibiting him from addressing a union mass meeting Sept. 23, 1943, in connection with an organizing drive in the Humble Oil Co. refinery. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail and \$100 fine and appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court after losing in the Texas courts.

CIO general counsel Lee Pressman presented the union side, insisting that the law registering organizers permitted employers to know the names of all full and part-time union workers, encouraged mob violence and contravened the National Labor Relations Act.

Pressman was supported by Alvin J. Rockwell, general counsel for NLRB, who argued that the Texas law invalidates the NLRA on its face.



R. J. Thomas

## Facts On Registration

There are three days left to register in New York City. Here are the facts:

**DAYS:** Today and tomorrow, from 5 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Saturday from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** At the polling place in your own election district. Addresses will be posted in all apartment houses.

**WHO REGISTERS:** Every citizen who has lived one year in the state, four months in the city and 30 days in the election district before Election Day, Nov. 7.

**FIRST VOTERS:** If you have not voted before, you must bring evidence of age and school diploma to prove literacy. If you haven't got a school diploma, you must take a literacy test at a designated school in your neighborhood. The registrar at the polling place or local political leaders will tell you where to go for the literacy test.



# Bare Nazi Cartel Plans for 3rd World War

By JOHN GIBBONS  
(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Oct. 11. — German cartels are already becoming entrenched in Switzerland, Sweden, Spain and Portugal in preparation for a third world war, K. Hoffman, political commentator of Red Star, army organ, warned today.

The author stresses that United Nations victory will be incomplete if effective measures against these monopolies and cartels are not taken, and the roots of German fascism thus demolished.

"It is typical that big German concerns are not waiting for the cease fire order in the battle-

fields," Hoffman writes. "They are already preparing for the postwar period."

"Apprehensive of strict control by the United Nations and the closing down of armaments production in big firms such as Krupp (steel trust), Farbenindustries (chemical trust), and other monopolies, in addition to existing subsidiaries in other countries they are now creating new companies."

"In Switzerland, Sweden, Spain and Portugal new industrial enterprises are springing up like mushrooms. Nominally they belong to one or another native of these countries, but their real

masters are in Berlin, Essen or Frankfurt-on-Main."

"The German monopolists are paying special attention to their 'strong points' in Latin American countries. And in this matter, Franco's Spain is rendering yeoman service," he stressed.

Recently the Spanish foreign minister declared that "between national socialism and Francoism there is nothing in common." But he did not say that there is nothing in common between the Farbenindustries trust, the Sociedad Iberika del Nitrato in Madrid and the Union de Explosivos in Albacete."

Referring to certain projects put

forward for restoring the "status quo" of German cartels, etc., Hoffman says that this would enable the leviathans of German industry, who are the backbone of German imperialism, to evade the responsibility for the war, and would facilitate their plans for a third world war.

## WORLD MARKET

Hoffman recalls that Karl Dulsberg, at a secret meeting of German industrialists in 1920, declared that German firms must begin the offensive on the world market, and thereby reduce the Versailles treaty to zero.

"The Kaiser and the Junkers," said Dulsberg at this meeting,

"are defeated, but Germany's industry has won. Our situation is now stronger than ever before. We can capture the world market. It will take time, but it is fully possible."

Hoffman concludes:

"The victory of the United Nations will be incomplete unless the military defeat of Germany is not succeeded by an economic disarmament, and unless effective measures are taken against German monopolies and cartels. The future peace must guarantee mankind against the possibility of restoring the military and economic base of German imperialism."

## Poland Must Be Peace-Loving And Representative, Says FDR

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (UP).—President Roosevelt today told a group of Polish-American leaders that Poland "must be reconstituted as a great nation" and also "as a representative and peace-loving nation." The White House, some

hours after Mr. Roosevelt had conferred with officials of several Polish-American organizations, released for publication a text of Mr. Roosevelt's remarks in which he said that there should be "no question" about the reconstitution of Poland, but that "we should all bear in mind that nobody here has accurate information about everything that is going on in Poland."

The Polish-American leaders expressed apprehension over current developments in the war lest the reformation of Poland "become dependent on her powerful eastern neighbor."

In reply to their request for help to assure "that neither an alien nor a puppet system of government shall be imposed upon Poland nor that any part of her population will ever be disposed of or transferred against the really freely expressed will of the Polish people," the President said:

"The broad objective which we all seek is excellent. I am certain that world opinion is going to back up that objective, not only to reconstitute Poland as a strong nation, but also as a representative and peace-loving nation."

"I wish to stress the latter. It is very important that the new Poland be one of the bulwarks of the structure upon which we hope to build a permanent peace."

Before saying this, Mr. Roosevelt stressed that the picture of present day Poland is not complete.

"Even I, as President of the United States, with access to all of the information which is available," he said, "am not fully informed of the whole story. As an example, I still do not know all the facts about the recent events in Warsaw. As new information comes every day, we will get a clearer picture about the whole situation."

Mr. Roosevelt and nine Polish-American leaders spent 45 minutes together, talking over the general Polish situation and getting down to geographic details with the aid of a large map of pre-war Poland, with the President wielding a pointer in the manner of both a geography teacher and student.

## J. V. King Urges GI Vote Extension

James V. King, American Labor Party candidate for Congress in the 14th Congressional District, appealed yesterday to Governor Dewey to call a special session of the Legislature to extend the deadline for counting the Soldier Vote Ballot to Dec. 10,



Two civilians are caught with the goods in an occupied German town. The GIs want to find out why they did not warn the American troops about land mines left in their path by the retreating Nazis.

## WLB Fails to Act on Wage Issue, Sends It to FDR

By TRAVIS K. HEDRICK  
(Federated Press)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Fearful of meeting the wage increase demands of American labor head on, the National War Labor Board's public and industry members combined

today to prepare a report to President Roosevelt regarding the relationship of wages to the cost of living without recommendations for action with regard to the Little Steel Formula.

This action, taken over the unanimous opposition of the four labor members representing the AFL and CIO, was termed by the labor members an "inexcusable dereliction of duty."

"The program which it has proposed is compounded of timidity, contradictions and double-talk," declared the labor members.

The resolution, adopted by the WLB 8 to 4, was offered by the public members as a solution to the wage issue in the AFL and CIO demands for a modification of the Little Steel formula.

Representing labor at the meeting

were George Meany, AFL secretary-treasurer; Robert Watt, AFL International representative (voting by proxy for AFL second vice-president Matthew Woll); R. J. Thomas, president of the United Auto Workers (CIO), and Emil Rieve, president of the Textile Workers Union (CIO).

These labor members, in a prepared statement, said:

"The only conclusion we can draw on the action of the Board today is that it deems that no change in the Little Steel formula should be recommended. It is apparent to us that the Board simply adopted this subterfuge in order to postpone and delay what it considers an unpalatable decision. There is no excuse for such delay. The wage earners of the country are entitled to know, and to know

## Soviets Take Szeged, 2nd City of Hungary

LONDON, Oct. 11 (UP).—Soviet troops have captured more than 100 places north and southeast of Memel and in Yugoslavia have driven to within 25 miles of Nis by the capture of Knjazevac, Moscow announced tonight.

LONDON, Oct. 11 (UP).—Soviet troops captured Szeged, second city of Hungary, and Cluj, capital of Hungarian-annexed Transylvania today, and the battle for Hungary swept

toward a climax as Soviet tanks and cavalry forced the broad Tisza River and drove to within 42 miles of the capital city of Budapest.

Szeged, a city of 131,893 persons and a major German and Hungarian stronghold, is 92 miles southeast of Budapest. It fell to the troops of Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's 2d Ukrainian Army who crossed the Tisza River to the north and south, encircled the fortress and broke into the streets.

A great six-point rail and seven-way highway junction, Szeged was the pivot of enemy defenses in southeastern Yugoslavia.

The rapid Soviet advance across the sea-level Hungarian plains outflanked and forced the fall of Cluj, 210 miles southeast of Budapest. Fourth largest city of Hungary's stolen Balkan empire established by Adolf Hitler's Vienna Diktat in 1940, Cluj had long held out against Soviet and Romanian troops in Transylvania. But the Red Army advance to Debrecen forced the enemy to withdraw.

## BIG RAIL JUNCTION

A great communications hub, the city is the junction of three railroads and six highways. Its capture left only tortuous secondary escape routes for German and Hungarian troops as far east as southern Bucovina.

The capture of both Szeged and Cluj was announced in an Order of the Day by Marshal Joseph Stalin, who called on Moscow's 224 victory guns to fire a 20-salvo salute.

The Germans also were giving way far to the north in the Baltic states, and Berlin reported that "it can now be said that a general Soviet offensive against East Prussia is in progress."

now, in direct and specific language, what this Board intends to recommend to the President. By dodging this responsibility with a promise of another fact-finding report, the Board has demonstrated a timidity unworthy of men charged with so important a phase of our war activities.

"The President has relied upon the Board to advise him in matters affecting wage stabilization. At a crucial moment in the administration of that policy, the Board has failed him."

The labor members announced they would issue their own recommendations to President Roosevelt in the AFL and CIO cases, taking individual action, as labor members did in the case of the cost-of-living study.

Rieve said that he thought the Board's action was similar to having "Gen. George Marshall come to the President and say that he had no recommendations to make as how to prosecute the war."

## Molotov Gives Party For Winston Churchill

MOSCOW, Oct. 11 (UP).—Foreign Commissar Viacheslav Molotov gave a cocktail party in honor of Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden this afternoon with members of the diplomatic corps, including American Ambassador W. Averell Harriman, as guests.

Maxim Litvinov, former foreign commissar and former ambassador at Washington, was among the guests, as were stars of the Moscow Art Theatre and several Soviet generals.

Up to tonight Churchill had conferred with Marshal Stalin once and Eden had conferred with Molotov twice.

## Find 52 Bodies Buried Alive by Nazis in France

PARIS, Oct. 11 (UP).—The morning paper L'Aurore, reported today that military authorities had discovered the bodies of 52 young French patriots buried alive by the Germans near Pau, and charged that the residents of a French village had been systematically exterminated with incendiary grenades.

The patriots, arrested by the Germans as "terrorists," were tortured, seriously wounded and buried alive, the newspaper charged.

The village of Comblanchien near Beaune was identified as the scene of the second atrocity. German soldiers in retreat began firing their guns, the paper reported, and other Germans, thinking a civil uprising had begun, threw incendiary grenades into every house, destroying the village and killing 510 persons.

## British Take Albania Port

ROME, Oct. 11 (UP).—British troops have captured Sarande, the fourth port of Albania, it was announced today as five German divisions of perhaps 50,000 men were reported in full flight from Greece to escape an Allied trap closing around the Balkans from all directions.



# First Lady Spurs Harlem Registration

The "woman most hated by the Southern reactionaries," as Bishop R. R. Wright characterized Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, stood among 5,000 Negroes Tuesday night in Harlem

## 200 Million City Capital Budget

A proposed capital outlay budget for 1945 totalling \$198,317,593.86 was announced yesterday by the City Planning Commission.

The budget is based on the possibility of an early ending of the war and on the expectation of Federal grants in the amount of 50 percent of the cost of most of the projects included in the budget.

The major portion of the proposed appropriation, together with the anticipated Federal grant would provide, according to the Planning Commission, for construction of approximately \$300,000,000 of the City's postwar works program. Planning for this program has been in progress for more than two years. The present shelf of completed plans represents 26 percent of the entire program of \$256,000,000 and another 22 percent, or \$218,000,000 for which plans are more than 50 percent completed.

The remainder of the budget provides for completion of planning of already approved projects in the postwar program in addition to a small number of new projects, for acquisition of land for certain projects and other miscellaneous city construction.

The budget will be the subject of a public hearing at City Hall next Wednesday, 10:30 a. m. Following the hearing the Planning Commission will consider suggested changes and proposals, and the budget will be finally adopted at a public meeting not later than Nov. 1 and committed to the Board of Estimate, City Council, Director of the Budget and the Comptroller for final consideration.

## Garment Center Rallies for FDR

New York's needle trades market was a sea of Roosevelt buttons yesterday as the Ladies Garment Center of the American Labor Party held a noon hour open air rally at 37 St. and Seventh Ave. Buttons, sold for a small fee, were grabbed up left and right as speakers, including Fannie Golos, garment workers rank and file leader and Morris Rosenberg of the Jewish Peoples Committee, discussed campaign issues.

The ALP Center, which is holding similar rallies tomorrow and Friday at other street corners in the market, is conducting an intensive campaign to get out top registration to reelect the President.

The Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians held a successful Wall Street meeting.

and told them to put an end to the polltaxers' lie that colored people are not interested in voting.

"You in New York and in this section of New York especially should fulfill your responsibility of helping to build democracy by registering and voting," said the First Lady amid cheers of "Yes, Yes."

"Where you have the chance to vote, you must use it," she stressed.

Sponsored by the National Non-partisan Committee for Reelection of Roosevelt rally was part of registration week's activity in Harlem.

A two-day tally of registration throughout the city early yesterday showed that Harlem did not keep pace with the general swell in turnout.

This was due to the confusion attendant to the change in registration places, said Mrs. Louise McDonald, chairman of the Non-partisan Registration Committee.

There was a good deal of time wasted because people did not know where to register, she admitted. That difficulty would be overcome with the posting of polling place placards in apartment houses, she said.

### FIRST VOTERS

Harlem's special problem of getting out 150,000 first voters was receiving special attention with several local offices open for instruction. Thousands of new voters have applied for literacy tests and the drive continues to get as many out as possible by Saturday night when registration ends. New voters are being coached at the Carver School, Urban League, National Negro Congress and Abyssinian Baptist Church.

Sound trucks are touring the streets with two meetings scheduled nightly. Harlem civic, fraternal, social and religious organizations are participating in the vote drive.

Considerable comment has gone on in Harlem political circles as a result of a statement by Sam M. Johnston who resigned last week as one of the 11 Democratic presidential electors in Alabama. Johnston said the Republican Party is the savior of White Supremacy in the South.

## Metropolitan Life Back Pay in Escrow

A sum representing \$1,400,000 in back pay for 10,000 Metropolitan agents covered in a recent National War Labor Board award was deposited this week in an escrow fund under the joint trusteeship of officials of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. and the United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, pending a court test over its legality.

The escrow agreement was worked out between the company and the union when Metropolitan Life contended the WLB award of a retroactive pay increase violated New York State Insurance Law. Union officials contend the law was never intended to stop payment of back pay.

## Political Snapshots

### REPORT NAZI CRIMES RECORD AGAINST JEWS

Material describing Nazi atrocities against Jews in the Soviet Union is being sent here for inclusion in the Black Book on Nazi Crimes against Jews to be published by the World Jewish Congress, the Vaad Leumi of Palestine, the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee of the USSR and the Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists. Ilya Ehrenburg is on the editorial board of the Black Book.

### GOP MONEY RAISER AN AMERICAN FIRSTER

Robert E. Hannagan, Democratic National Committee chairman, pulled the curtain of obscurity from James Scott Kemper, chairman of the finance committee of Republican National Committee. "Kemper is an old champion of isolationism and one of the main pillars of America First," Hannagan revealed. It was Kemper who said that lend-lease would "abolish the Congress . . . and abolish free government in the United States."

### U. S. GERMANS MOURN WILLKIE DEATH

Charles A. Oberwager, secretary of the National Independent Committee of German Americans, said Wendell Willkie's death was a loss to the world tradition of liberalism. Oberwager placed the name of Willkie next to Carl Schurz and Franz Sigel, German-American Civil War heroes. The Independent Committee is calling for FDR's reelection.

### CLOTHES FOR EUROPE DRIVE TOPPED GOAL

The campaign for used clothing for Europe's liberated peoples, conducted by Catholic, Protestant and Jewish congregations the week of Sept. 24 far exceeds its 10,000,000-pound goal, according to a spokesman for the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

### HILLMAN CONDEMNS GOP HANDBOOK

Sidney Hillman, CIO-PAC chairman, called the Speakers Handbook of the Republican National Convention an "extraordinary document" at the CIO shop stewards convention in Philadelphia. Of 63 pages, two and a half deal with "winning the war and peace." These pages are a combination of hocus-pocus trying to prove that the GOP and not the Roosevelt administration foresaw the war and prepared for it.

Mrs. Cornelia Bryce Pinchot, wife of the former Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania, was among the speakers.

### ORGANIZE TO OUST JERSEY'S HAM FISH

A political action committee was formed in Essex and West Hudson Counties, New Jersey, to keep Roosevelt in the White House and chase Rep. Hartley, the "Ham Fish" of Jersey out of Congress.

## Teen-Agers Mind Tots To Help Registration

By HELEN FITZGERALD

Even teen-agers are helping in the Registration Drive this week. Jack Weiner, 16-year-old honor student at James Madison High School and president of the Highway Club, AYD, in Flatbush says club members are not only ringing doorbells,

They have formed a committee of baby minders and have volunteered their services to mothers in the community who want to register but have no one to care for their children.

The young people of the Ashford Club in the Bronx—with some 500 members are also active in the drive.

"We are not as big as that yet in Flatbush, we have only 135 members, but we are growing every day."

The boys and girls in the Highway Club have worked out a lively program of social, educational and war activities. There are social evenings of record playing, square dancing, community singing—educational evening to which adult speakers are invited deal with current events and citizenship.

On D-Day, club members went out and secured 53 blood donors, and during the Fifth War Loan Drive they cooperated with the Civilian Defense Volunteer office in the community. During the scrap paper drive, teams of two went from door to door, sometimes getting such a big load of paper a truck from the CDVO had to haul it away.

### REGISTRATION WORK

Speaking of the registration work, Jack said, "We're not old enough to vote yet, but we can vote by proxy. If we make it possible for an eligible voter to register and go to the polls." As a result of their energetic work for the Citizen's Non-Partisan Committee for Registration in Flatbush every store window on Kings Highway has a poster on registration.

Most of the club members are good students and look upon their

school work as their No. 1 job.

"Our activities," Jack said, "stimulate our interest in our school work. There is no juvenile delinquency in Flatbush, or at least I've not heard about it. Club activities develop us in another way. Take me, for example, I was so shy once that everytime I had to get up in class my knees would shake. Well, now I don't think about it—I just get up and talk."

"We young people have a big stake in the post war I guess the biggest—that's why we should take an interest in what's going on. We don't want to grow up in a world where we'll have to sell apples on the street. This is the reason why most of our members are out rooting for the reelection of the President."

## Republicrats Rally to Queens

Seeking to overcome the Roosevelt majority expected elsewhere in the city, the pro-fascist American Democratic National Committee is concentrating on Queens, it was learned yesterday.

Robert G. Harriss, of Forest Hills, a supporter of Father Coughlin and one of his advisors, is chairman of the executive board of a newly-established Queens Division of the committee which has opened offices in Jamaica. Harriss was an active member of America First. Executive secretary of the outfit is Vincent Rottkamp, of Queens Village, who ran for City Council on the ticket of the pro-fascist American Rock Party.

## News Capsules Lucky 13

On Friday the 13th, the Kaiser Swan Island shipyard at Portland Ore., will deliver the 13th tanker—there will be 13 persons on the launching program, and 13 diners at the sponsors' table.

Pvt. Kenneth Kading, of La Grange, Ill., is the soldier who with two American army officers carried a bedsheet as a flag of truce into Aachen to deliver the demand for the surrender of the city. He's only 19 years old.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt celebrated her 60th birthday yesterday. It was Chief Justice Harlan F. Stone's birthday too—his 72nd.

CDVO's 20,000 block captains are forming a new branch of the civilian defense organization. They're to become the CDVO Neighborhood Representative Di-

vision with Mrs. John W. Castles, Jr., as director.

At Lincolnshire, England, Mrs. Mary Smith, 95, walked briskly into the National Service office with her "calling up" papers and announced, "I would rather go and make guns than sit idling away my time." Noting her age, officials were puzzled and examined her papers. They were intended for another Mary Smith who had previously lived at the same address.

Three teen-age boys, Adolphus La Boute, Jr., Stanley Nikolski and Leroy Allen of East Haven, Conn., came to New York City to see the Rodeo and were fired with the ambition to be cowboys. They decided to go immediately to Arizona. A patrolman in Grand Central picked them up as they were confidently trying to buy three tickets to Arizona for \$40.

# If Trouble Arises on Registration...

IN CASE OF TROUBLE: Get in touch with your local ALP club if obstacles to registering are put in your way. You can get the address or phone number by calling the number below in your county.

The Lawyers Guild (MU 3-6475) will also answer your questions during the day.

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vent large numbers from registering.

2. Remind your family, friends, neighbors, shop mates and shopkeepers to sign up today.

3. Check through your apartment house to see who have not yet registered and urge them to do it today.

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# Woll Maps \$\$ Diplomacy In Europe's Labor Unions

By GEORGE MORRIS

AFL vice-president Matthew Woll is launching a drive for a fund to place control of reborn European labor movements in reactionary hands, through blackmail. This is the meaning of his announcement Tuesday of the formation of Free Trade Union Committee, over which he has appointed himself as chairman, and through which AFL unions will be asked to contribute a million dollars next January ostensibly to aid labor in reoccupied lands.

The policy of Woll's newest outfit was indicated recently in William Green's attitude towards the re-established and united Italian labor movement. A telegram Green sent to the Italian labor body which is under Communist, Socialist and Catholic leadership, carried the veiled threat that promised financial aid would be forthcoming only on condition that they followed the pattern of "free" trade unions as the AFL conceives it. Later, Luigi Antonini of the International Ladies Garment Workers, upon being appointed AFL delegate to Italy, openly proclaimed that he was going to insist on exclusion of Communists from the leadership of Italian labor. Behind his argument was the attractive purse of \$500,000 that the ILGWU and Woll's group collected under the guise of the same lofty aims that Woll has proclaimed.

## SHOWS THE WAY

Italian labor has indicated the reply the AFL will receive if it follows a "dollar diplomacy" policy in relation to European labor. Antonini was forced to witness a convention at which a policy of unity was unanimously approved. The money remains in the United States. Antonini was unable to find any takers under his terms, as the New York Times reported on Sept. 17.

Woll's new committee and the meaning he attaches to the expression "free trade unions" should be understood in the light of his entire background. For a quarter of a century Woll has been a bitter foe of the Soviet Union. He led the movement in the AFL against recognition of the Soviet Union and against association with any European labor organization which recognizes Soviet organized labor.

It is Woll who fathered the slanderous fable that the Soviet trade unions are not "free." He was behind the AFL's refusal to take part in any trade union unity which includes the Soviet trade unions. Republican Woll in labor ranks follows a parallel policy to those forces in the GOP who, as Hoover, have always angled for an anti-Soviet front.

## NOT 'FREE' UNIONS

Woll wants not "free" but anti-Soviet unions. The money is designed to support discredited Woll-type reactionaries which the AFL would foist upon the new unions.

Significantly, the Woll move comes just as the British Trade Union Congress is preparing to call a conference of all world labor, including representative of the 25,000,000 Soviet trade unionists. The Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee is now in session in London. Woll knows, from the Italian experience, that European workers will not sell the birthright of their unions for a few dollars. The object of his fund drive can only be the potential disruptive value there is in it. He also hopes that the professed "solidarity" with the European workers under which it is collected, would satisfy AFL members as a substitute for genuine solidarity by actual participation in the international organization of labor. It is high time that AFL labor squelched the Wolls and stepped into the field of world labor unity, just as labor expects the country as a whole to approve the Dumbarton Oaks pattern of world unity of nations.

## British Outline World Labor Federation Plan

Wireless to Allied Labor News

LONDON, Oct. 11.—A plan for a world labor federation "embracing all forms of free trade union organization, irrespective of race, color or creed" is outlined in the report of the general council of the British Trades Union Congress made public here this week. The full report will be submitted to the annual conference of the TUC opening next Monday.

Reviewing developments since the decision was made a year ago to call a world labor conference, the TUC report states that the AFL based its refusal to attend on the contention that the International Federal of Trade Unions was the proper body to call the conference, adding:

"We pointed out that the IFTU is only in a position to act as far as concerns its affiliates, and it was envisaged that the world trade union conference should be representative of all bona fide national trade union organizations."

The TUC council, the report continues, urged the AFL "strongly but unsuccessfully" to reconsider its decision.

The report reveals that in February the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions of the Soviet Union suggested that the world conference be convened under the joint auspices of the TUC, the CIO and the AUCCTU. The general council felt, however, that it was inadvisable to change the auspices of the conference. It was later agreed that the matter be considered at the next meeting of the Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee. This committee is now meeting in London, presided over by Vassili Kuznetsov, chairman of the AUCCTU.

The possibility of holding the conference in Canada, discussed by TUC general secretary Sir Walter Citrine when he announced its postponement from June 6 because of travel difficulties to and from England, was rejected after consultation with the Foreign Office made it clear that it was unlikely that the necessary travel visas could be granted to delegates proceeding via Britain, the report asserts. The TUC was also unable to secure a guarantee that delegates arriving for the conference would not be subject to a prolonged stay in Britain.

Forty trade union organizations with 134 delegates from 24 countries have accepted the invitation to the conference, the report states, adding that "at the time of writing circumstances are not such as to enable the general council to suggest a date for recalling the conference." Although the TUC general council proposed the specific date, it is expected that the full conference of the TUC will consider the recent recommendation by CIO president Philip Murray that the world parley be convened early in December.

## Watt Yearns For Old Chaos

Robert J. Watt, International representative of the AFL, voiced the straight Republican platform line on labor in the Times Hall forum Tuesday night.

He clashed with Philip Murray, president of the CIO, in reply to a question whether the government's intervention in economy was "hamstringing" collective bargaining.

"Government intervention has al-

Excerpts from Philip Murray's speech at the forum appear on page 9.

ready strangled collective bargaining to death," said Watt.

Mr. Murray, in reply, said he recently asked some Army and Navy leaders how this country was able to achieve the miracle of war production. They told him that it was partly due to planning through the War Production Board and procurement agencies.

"I wondered why we in America couldn't do the same kind of thing in our peacetime economy," Murray went on. "Why can't government and management and labor get together and put down on a chart how many sewing machines, refrigerators and automobiles would have to be produced to maintain the highest possible employment after the war."

Watt shot back that he wants to see government control ended "as rapidly as possible and as completely as possible," charging that the nation cannot be "free" with such controls in effect.

David Robertson, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, agreed with Watt.

## Newark Rally Oct. 19

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## Paris Judge Honors Patriot Defendants

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## FDR on Columbus Day

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT made a significant contribution to the Columbus Day celebrations with his latest order, allowing the Italian government to accumulate dollars for the purchase of civilian supplies in this country. Columbus Day is, of course, of interest to all Americans, for it reminds us that we are all descended from immigrants to these shores, of whom Columbus was the pioneer.

But this year, the day is celebrated in the reflection of grave problems in the reconstruction of a democratic Italy. The President's latest action is proof that under his leadership we are capable of repairing past mistakes quickly.

In mid-September, both Churchill and Roosevelt agreed that the Bonomi government must be given greater leeway to organize Italy's liberation. Then followed the \$50,000,000 UNRRA appropriation, the dispatch of foodstuffs and trucks by the United States for Italian relief. Now comes another step forward. Italy will be able to give dollars to cover the lire with which our soldiers are now purchasing supplies in that country. The dollars can be used to buy civilian goods here. This foreshadows the accumulation of funds in Italy with which a fruitful trade can be established between the two countries and reconstruction speeded—something that all Italian democrats want.

Of course, Thomas E. Dewey has been quick to put his two cents in. After complete silence on the Italian problem, he now comes forward with fulsome generalities—an obvious bid for votes rather than a proof of statesmanship toward Italy.

Roosevelt's deeds mean help to Italy now; Dewey's promises mean nothing practical and immediate. Italian Americans will judge the Governor's maneuver realistically and contrast it with the rapid changes that have been taking place in American policy since the Quebec conference.

## Matt Smith at It Again

MATTHEW SMITH, secretary of the Mechanics Educational Society of America, is at it again. He has scheduled but had to cancel a strike at 64 Cleveland, Toledo and Detroit metal plants with which his organization has contracts.

The move is part of the deliberate conspiracy to sow confusion that the Republicans have been developing since the political campaign got under way. Smith is their man just like his namesake and fellow-Detroiter, Gerald L. K. Smith. Like John L. Lewis, Matt Smith has been sniping at the war effort since Pearl Harbor, and has called general strikes against the government on at least two other occasions.

The deliberate nature of his move now is evident from the fact that the case of one discharged worker is the basis of the entire dispute. The Smith provocation is part of the general pattern which includes the company-union sponsored race strikes at Philadelphia, Lewis' strikes of foremen, the Trotskyite-Socialist maintenance strikes last week at Detroit and the current independent union strike of shipyard workers at Quincy, Mass. The purpose of these strikes is to give the impression that labor is "up in arms" against Roosevelt.

Matt Smith isn't working for labor or his own members. He is aiding the enemy and should be treated as such. How long will the government tolerate such open challenge to its authority and the country's interest in wartime?

## Honor to a People's Writer

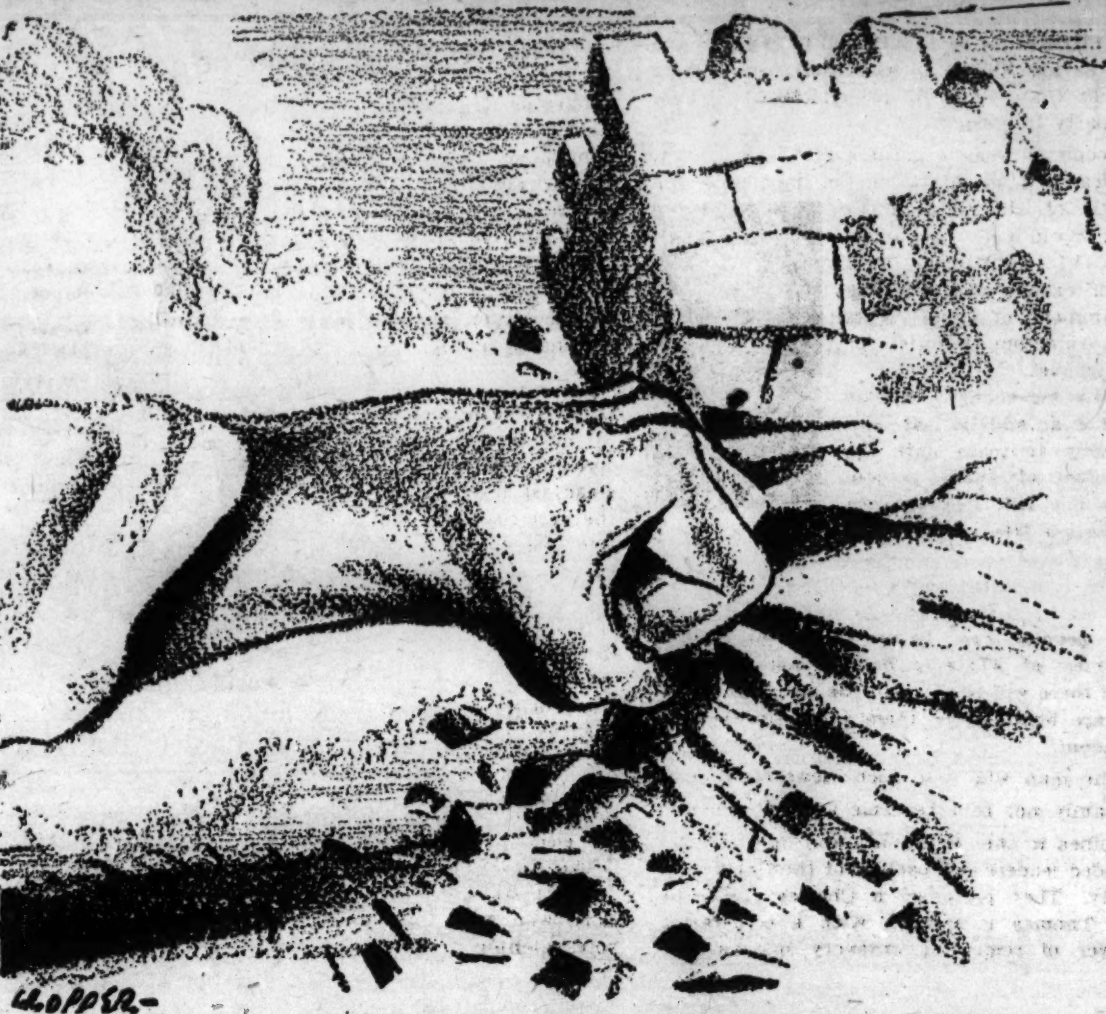
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The Daily Worker feels it an honor to pay tribute on Friday evening at the City Center Casino to Howard Fast for his contribution to American culture.

## ULTIMATUM TO AACHEN



— They're Saying in Washington —

## GOP Farm Tales--and the Facts

by Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON.  
THERE is plenty of political dynamite in government statistics on how the farmers have fared in this war as compared with the last war. But there is a considerable reluctance in government to put out anything which might be attacked by the GOP as campaign propaganda.

And so little publicity has been given to figures which knock into a cocked hat the Republican effort to convince the farmers that they have been harassed, regimented and virtually enslaved by OPA and price control regulations.

One fact of some importance is that government efforts to mobilize agriculture for war, which have been vigorously supported by most farmers, have gotten results. Farmers have increased their production 21 percent during this war as compared to five percent in the last war.

And farmers have been immeasurably helped by the very price control program which is the principal target of GOP orations addressed to rural audiences. It is true that prices of farm products went up a bit more in the first world war, 130 percent compared to 118 percent this time. But the important thing is that the prices of things farmers buy went up almost three times as fast in the last war 98 percent compared to 38 percent.

### Prices Shot Skyward

For example, milk cans went up 147 percent as against 28 percent in this war. Hay rakes went up 85 percent as contrasted to 16 percent. Barbed wire went up 98 percent as against 28 percent. And so on down the line on a host of things that farmers need. The result of price control combined with higher prices for the things farmers sell is that farm income has risen substantially during the war, 182 percent, according to government statistics.

GOP campaign propaganda notwithstanding the Roosevelt Administration has a real record

on farm issues. One of the major achievements of the Administration was its program of farm aid through such agencies as AAA, Farm Security and Rural Electrification.

The Republicans also have a farm record. American farmers remember not only the Hoover depression but the Harding depression after the first World War, when they had to pay back money borrowed when prices were high at a time when prices for their products fell to new lows.

### Farms Lost By Foreclosure

From 1921 to 1926 some 453,000 farmers lost their farms through mortgage foreclosures. And so did hundreds of thousands of farmers during the Hoover administration. Distress sales have declined steadily during the Roosevelt administration, from 54.1 per 1,000 farmers in 1933 to 6.6 per 1,000 in 1943.

And what of the future. Farmers face reconversion and unemployment problems every bit as serious as those confronting industrial workers. After victory in Europe military food procurement requirements will drop 50 percent. Demands for food from Europe will probably not be as heavy as was at first expected.

There will be increased demand for food from the home market when rationing restrictions are dropped. But it is not anticipated that this demand will be enough to maintain farm prices without

government aid through support prices. The administration has a program to meet this problem. War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes has pointed out that as much as \$2,000,000,000 may be needed in 1945 for a support price program, and he has urged that Congress get busy and do something about making the necessary funds available.

### GOP Do-Nothing Policy

The Republicans are adept at encouraging the farmers, and other groups of the population, to gripe about necessary wartime controls. But what have they got to offer in the way of a postwar program? The do-nothing policy of the Republicans can only lead to a repetition of the lean years which the farmers faced after the first world war.

The Roosevelt Administration has a story to take to the farmers. It is a very persuasive story. But it has not yet been told. Men like Joe Pew and Frank Gannett on the principal farm magazines. Newspapers in rural areas are overwhelmingly Republican. And there has been something of a fatalistic attitude in administration circles on the farm vote.

I'm not arguing that the intensive Republican campaign in farm areas over the last few years can be undone altogether in the next four weeks. But there is certainly much that can be done to reduce the GOP margin among the farmers. One way is to tell them the facts.

## Worth Repeating

THE WYOMING EAGLE of Oct. 3, in an editorial titled *Something Omitted*: In its closing declaration, John L. Lewis' mineworkers' recent convention described Mr. Lewis' pet hate as a "combination of city machine politics, ex-New Dealers, representatives of foreign ideologies and the Communists, all playing in common accord under the direction of big business and the international bankers."

In this world there is only one editor who would undertake to improve that statement by minor additions. Those additions are "bloated plutocracy" and "international Jewry." The editor is Paul Joseph Goebbels.

WALTER LIPPMANN, noted Republican columnist expressing grave doubt that Thomas E. Dewey will stand up against the "know-nothingism" of the Republican leadership now that Wendell Willkie is dead: Thus the death of Willkie will make much more difficult Gov. Dewey's problem of gaining the confidence of the independent vote—the vote which puts the winning of the war and of the peace ahead of everything else, which regards an uninterrupted and unfaltering conduct of these great affairs as a matter of life and death.

For Wendell Willkie was the conscience of his party, and who will take his place?



# Today's Guest Column

**WENDELL L. WILLKIE** will be remembered as an American who sacrificed himself rather than yield his principles to personal or party interests.

People in remote corners of the world—in Africa and in Asia—join in mourning the death of the man whose One World meant the abolition of imperialism and racial exclusiveness and the attainment of equal rights and equal opportunities for all peoples.

"It is not enough," Willkie said in an address last year, "merely to make safe the freedom of those peoples who are still free or even to restore freedom to the nations which have been conquered. If we want to lay the whole of the foundation which I believe is necessary in order for the world to have peace, then the peoples now living in mandates and colonies—of whatever nation—must also see that there will be room in the structure which we are building for them to attain eventual freedom."

The man who held such views could most certainly not be acceptable as a presidential nominee to the reactionary and imperialistic-minded leaders and backers of the Republican Party. They preferred a Charley McCarthy like Thomas E. Dewey. With a corporation lawyer of somewhat unsavory international



## Willkie's Message—Choose Leaders Who Have Principles

by **Alphaeus Hunton**

connections as his adviser, Mr. Dewey opened his campaign by petty, partisan sniping at the Dumbarton Oaks conference. That fell flat. And so also did his not-so-clever attempt to get Willkie to join him in his attack upon the Roosevelt administration's world security aims. Since that fiasco, Dewey has had little to say on foreign policy. He has descended to the easier, simpler tactic of red-baiting and name-calling.

ALTHOUGH Wendell Willkie was not without certain errors in his judgments on foreign affairs, he was clear-sighted and steadfast on the central issue of our time, the necessity of developing genuine and effective international cooperation for maintaining world prosperity and peace.

It is today most appropriate that we recall a speech which Willkie made at Union College in Schenectady, New York, in 1942. Reviewing the election of 1920, when this country faced the problem of making a real peace after the first World War, Willkie told how Harding, during his campaign, dodged and vacillated on the question of the League of Nations, immediately rejecting the League as soon as the election returns were in.

The American people in 1920, Willkie said, "were betrayed by leaders without convictions who were thinking in terms of group vote catching." And he warned that if this

should happen again now, it would spell "sheer disaster." As though he foresaw clearly the choice which American voters would have to make today, Willkie said in that speech of two years ago:

"AS CITIZENS who may be called on to give your very lives to preserve your country's freedom, for God's sake elect to important office men who will not make a mockery of that sacrifice. Make sure that you choose leaders who have principles and the courage to state them plainly. Not men who examine each shift of sentiment and watch the polls of public opinion to learn where they stand. I beg of you, vote for straight-out men—not wobblers. This is no time for ambiguity."

There is no timelier message than that for Americans today. Now, during this registration period or what is left of it, we have the one crucial task of GETTING OUT THE VOTE—getting out the vote which will insure the reelection of President Roosevelt and the continuation of those administration policies of international cooperation out of which will come One World. By making this a record-breaking registration at the polls, Americans will be keeping faith with Wendell Willkie, with their country and Commander-in-Chief, and with the millions of down-trodden people throughout the world who are fighting on our side for a chance to live decently. GET OUT THE VOTE!

# Views On Labor News

THE Committee for Economic Development held quite an interesting luncheon meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria. Present were about 1,000 spokesmen of New York's leading business and commercial establishments. So were a number of representatives of the CIO and AFL.

The CED has local committees of business men in some 2,000 communities. The objective is to promote initiative for postwar economic expansion. The organization has flooded the country with much literature, the result of its unrivaled research machinery and the aid of men from the staffs of leading firms and research organizations.

As one glances through the list of industrialists who play a prominent part in the CED the reaction may be a mixed one, especially from a trade unionist. Undoubtedly there is a wide difference of opinion within the CED. But there is a certain common thread that runs through the work of the organization. It holds to a belief that American economy need not, and must not, drop to pre-war levels but can give employment to 57,000,000 wage earners—12,000,000 above 1939—on the basis of industrial expansion and maintenance of a high purchasing power.

With that premise, the CED has set out to stimulate local initiative and the initiative of each of some 2,000,000 individual firms



## By George Morris

towards a higher production and employment goal. It points to spheres where economic expansion holds possibilities and otherwise helps businessmen to make up their minds on future prospects. The CED also believes in a joint labor-business-government effort.

THAT is all to the good. But Mayor La Guardia came to the luncheon and called attention to some defects in the CED's approach. In the first place, he pointed out, that with the maximum initiative that private industry could muster there will still be a big gap for some years after the war. It must be filled in with useful and necessary public works. His second point was to stress the importance of foreign trade.

The Mayor touched two sensitive spots. This was evident both in the reaction of the audience and the reply of chairman Paul G. Hoffman, who is president of Studebaker. The big applause came when Hoffman said that "we need 2,000,000 plans, not one," and that "Main Street should solve its own problem." Mr. Hoffman said he agreed to public works, but he didn't draw applause on that.

What Mr. Hoffman said sounds good, and whatever initiative may come from Main St. is all right. But I can conceive of conditions in which all the initiative that the X Co. or Main St. could muster, would not bring markets or jobs. We well remember the thousands of firms that went on the rocks despite the finest effort in the tradition of

## 2,000,000 Plans That Depend on One Program

"free enterprise." It seems ridiculous for such a widespread postwar planning movement like the CED to operate with practically no reference to the role of foreign trade or an attitude towards industrialization of China and similar countries. Prof. Sumner H. Slichter of Harvard who delivered the chief analysis at the luncheon, spoke of "keeping the export surplus down" to a figure below three billion. That was all he said on the subject.

AFTER all, the volume of exports will not only determine the extent to which we will replace our war market with peace trade, but also the type of reconversion in many of our plants.

The "2,000,000" plans that Hoffman is talking about do depend upon one general perspective which takes account of a number of factors—domestic resources, foreign trade, federally and locally financed public works, maintenance of military strength and such great power, transport or agricultural developments as only a national government could project. Businessmen who realize that their individual plan hangs on the general picture are bound to give more serious thought to such problems as international security than they generally do, and to give unbiased consideration to the President's whole economic outlook. The CED needs an occasional jolt such as it received from the Mayor. I think labor ought to take a greater interest in its local committees and bring forward that more rounded-out perspective which every businessman on Main St. ought to see.

# October 'Communist' Probes Horizons of Teheran

THE splendid articles in the October issue of The Communist flow from the immediate realities and further perspectives of the Anglo-Soviet-U.S. war coalition. Each contribution probes one of the main channels through which the coalition is unfolding its full scope. This quality gives to the October issue a rounded-out and complete character.

Joseph Starobin, summing up the gigantic military achievements of coalition warfare over the summer months, points up the inseparability of the military and political aspects of the war's conduct, and warns that "the enemy is concentrating his energies on the problems that lie between the war and the durable, firm peace." "The enemy" confronts us not only on the lines of the Rhine and the Vistula. Starobin submits to a searching examination the sniping at the Dumbarton Oaks and Bretton Woods conferences by high circles of the GOP, and the recent Life article by William C. Bullitt, which he characterizes as "an open advertisement for another Hitler and another Munich."

Adam Lapin's article deals with Republican campaign strategy in the present wartime election struggle, the outcome of which is directly linked to the Teheran perspectives for both the war and the peace.

## Reviewed by Joseph Fields

ALEX BITTELMAN contributes a remarkably reasoned study of the role of the state power in the national economy, a basic question linked to the economic perspectives of the Teheran reconstruction program. The partisan Republican spokesmen have reduced this question to the formula that any form of government economic intervention constitutes a threat to "private enterprise." In his exposition Bittelman exposes the hollowness of all formal approaches to the question of state intervention. He not only demonstrates that government economic intervention is fully compatible with capitalism, but that it is an imperative necessity of the system of private enterprise that not less but more government intervention be forthcoming to meet the economic problems of demobilization, reconversion and peace. He shows further that such an increased economic role of the capitalist state in the postwar will have as little in common with socialism as has its vastly enhanced authority over the national economy for mobilizing the nation's resources for the total war effort required for victory.

Hans Berger, writing on the problems of an international peace organization which oc-

cupied the attention of the recent Dumbarton Oaks conference, effectively refutes the allegations of "power politics" and the "rights of small nations" that have been emanating from the camp of the Republican saboteurs of international security.

JACQUES DUCLOS, secretary of the Communist Party of France, shows the sources of Communist courage. The editors of The Communist, themselves, give us the best description of this stirring article when they say that "it helps to deepen our understanding and appreciation of the heroism, the self-sacrifice, the political steadfastness and magnificent organization of the French people's anti-fascist forces, in the forefront of which the Communist Party of France brought to the task of liberation pre-eminent contributions of courage, organization and theoretical clarity."

Yes, and it helps us to understand why a Joliot-Curie, a Professor Langevin, a Pablo Picasso step forward today to take their places in the ranks of that party. It is an article that will give The Communist readers a lift, a sense of supreme pride in their identification with the powerful historic movement which is playing so potent a role in wiping fascism from the face of the earth.

## Listen Here,



## Mr. Editor

### 'An Independent Voter' Favors Mr. Roosevelt

Hinckley, Minn.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

A paper was handed me the other day, signed by a man in Pine City, Minn., calling himself "An Independent Voter." It is so good that I would like to call it to your attention. He says:

"Well informed independent voters, progressive Republicans and all others who are looking forward to the proper solutions of the war and postwar problems, will earnestly work for and vote for the reelection of our able, experienced and respected leader, Franklin D. Roosevelt."

One of the reasons he gives for this is: "Most of the Southern plutocrats are attempting to rebel against Roosevelt because he has been a true representative of all our people regardless of nationalities, creeds, races or political parties."

Again he says: "As Commander-in Chief the results of his sound judgment and quick actions will go down in history as some of the greatest achievements of this age. There is no need of a change now and it would be unwise to do so. The Axis would be well pleased if we would change. The stage would be then set for World War III."

H. ANDERMANN.

### Dewey Plays Superman

Bronx, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

Dewey's double-talking runs through all he says. To the low income groups, he promises that those making \$11 per week shall pay no income taxes further. He doesn't say that President Roosevelt has always been opposed to such taxation but that it was the Dewey angels in the GOP camp who put over that tax. Then he promises the rich and the corporations and everybody else that they will have to pay less taxes. He's a wizard that man, a superman. Can't you run a cartoon with Dewey as Superman, mustachios and all?

ANTI-DEWEY.

### Business and Labor Back War Fund

Montclair, N. J.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

I see in the papers that the Commerce and Industry Division of the New York War Fund has received a quota of \$12,130,000 in the city drive for \$17,200,000. This is a big sum, but the concerns which are engaging in the fund-raising are big, too. If there was a division for labor organizations, I'm sure that the result would be proportionately good, also. In other words, we want one and all—business, labor, professionals and farmers—to do all in our power for this fund. JENNIE SIEGEL.

### Springfield Paper Tells Some Truths

Springfield, Ill.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

The Illinois State Register runs a column called "Lighter Vein," in which I read on Sept. 12 the following interesting words: "And all this talk of fear of Russia. That's a lot of plain, unadulterated bunk. Talk of distrust of Russia now is the stuff of which wars are made. We're in a better position to have peace because of Russia than the world has ever had." You will agree that is good stuff. LESTER WICKSTROM.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.



# Anglo-U. S.-Soviet Romanian Communists Launch Campaign to Democratize Gov't

American, British and Soviet labor delegations which visited Italy during the past few weeks have expressed their friendship for the re-born Italian labor movement and paid special tribute to trade unionists in occupied North Italy for their contribution to the war.

The Anglo-American representatives, in a joint statement declared:

"Trade union spirit encountered everywhere is much higher than expected. Regarding north Italy newly reborn trade unions were forced underground but remained very active and maintained their hold on the working masses in the factories."

The statement emphasizes difficulties encountered by the Italian workers: high prices, unemployment, low wages, lack of raw materials.

Will Lawther, president of the British Miners Federation, told Allied Labor News that the Anglo-American delegation had accomplished its main purpose which was to help revive the Italian trade union movement free from party politics. "Encouraging unity has been achieved by the Socialists, Catholics and Communists," he said.

## ANGLO-U. S. DELEGATES

In addition to Lawther, British labor was represented by Tom O'Brien, for the Trades Union Congress and American labor by George Baldanzi, vice president of the CIO Textile Workers, the CIO, and Luigi Antonini, vice president of the AFL International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

The Soviet delegation, in a message to Italian workers, declared anti-fascist goals of the democratic peoples could not be realized "unless the workers will solidify their ranks and unless a solid trade union national and international unity is created."

On behalf of the Soviet Union's 25 million organized workers, the delegates expressed confidence that "the friendship between the trade unions of Italy and the USSR will be strengthened."

The Soviet delegation especially greeted the workers "in the Nazi-occupied part of Italy who, along with the heroic partisans, are making an increasingly stronger contribution to the Italian war of liberation."

Members of the Soviet delegation were Mikhail P. Tarasov, secretary of the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions; V. D. Aksenov, president of the Mechanical Workers Union; P. V. Shupletsov, president of the Agricultural Union of the Ukraine and Moldavia; and P. P. Shevliacin, secretary and translator of the delegation.

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## Report Bethlen In Hungary Jail

By United Press

The Moscow Radio said yesterday that, according to news received in Switzerland, numerous members of the pre-war Hungarian government have been arrested by the Budapest police.

The former Hungarian premier, Count Stephen Bethlen, is reported to be among those arrested, the broadcast said.

The broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, said those arrested were taken to a prison in Budapest's Markto Street.

Seventy-year-old Count Bethlen retired from politics in 1931.

## Trial of 3 Vichy Ministers Due Soon

Three Vichyite ministers, former Minister of Air Jean-Makie-Flandin, former Minister of Interior Marcel Peyroux and former Minister of War Jean-Makie-Joseph Bergert, are expected to be court-martialed shortly in Paris.

The charge will probably be treason, intelligence with the enemy and serving in an illegally constituted government.

Pierre Pucheu, another former Vichy minister of interior, was executed for these crimes after trial in Algiers last March.

## Marseille Plant Boosts Output After Ousting Vichy Management

SOUTH OF FRANCE, Sept. 24 (By mail).—The big locomotive repair shop, Aciéries du Nord, in Marseille, having replaced its collaborationist board of directors with a joint committee of workers and management, has stepped up production 50 percent.

Shock brigades pledged to produce higher than the average give an example to the other workers; different departments are in friendly competition with one another as to which will over-fulfill its quota most.

In 12 days, 11 locomotives rolled off the assembly line despite the fact that this factory was greatly disorganized during the war and its personnel reduced by more than a

third, and even though, for lack of raw materials, hours of work were reduced from 60 to 48 per week.

During the Vichy regime, with the plant fully staffed, it took 17 days to produce 11 locomotives.

The Aciéries du Nord example is being admired and followed elsewhere. Jean Cristofol, Marseille Communist deputy, welcomes the workers' initiative in that factory and urges that sufficient materials be released so that full production can be achieved.

The General Confederation of Labor (CGT) is urging the increase of production. Its slogans are: "Fight, produce, purge"; "Produce; fight for our demands afterward." "To win the war we must win the battle of production."

The Romanian Communist Party has launched a campaign fully to democratize the Romanian government and carry out the armistice terms which call for ouster and punishment of all Romanian fascists.

Between 50,000 and 60,000 workers met in Bucharest Sunday at a Communist rally it was reported yesterday. Speakers called for a Communist-Socialist alliance in a united workers front.

A joint trade union organizing committee had previously been established and some twenty new

trade unions have been organized.

The Romanian Communist Party's immediate program appears to have strong similarities with that of the Italian Communists. Both participate in a broad government coalition; neither is raising immediate demands for the abolition of the monarchy and each regards the winning of the war as the prior question; both seek to build and strengthen working class unity as the core of the broader coalition and a guarantee that democracy will be achieved permanently.

However, reactionaries who have considered it opportune to participate in the anti-Nazi coalition at the last possible moment will not find the same powerful foreign backing in Romania as they have in Italy.

The Romanian Communist Party, incidentally, has not suddenly appeared on the scene because of the Red Army's arrival.

Some ten years ago the people of Bucharest elected a Communist mayor—who was never allowed to serve because the fascist Iron Guard took matters into their own hands.

## Chinese Naval Guerilla Bands Capture Japanese Fishing Boats

By United Press

The Chinese Communist wireless transmitter at Yen-an reported Wednesday that Chinese fishermen, organized as "naval guerillas," had captured 22 Japanese fishing boats and small motor craft in the waters off the Shantung peninsula between Jan. 1 and Sept. 10.

The broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, said that the prizes ranged from 50 to 450 tons. In the course of the operations, 14 Japanese and 25 Koreans were captured and more than 200 Chinese sailors liberated from forced labor, the dispatch said.

## Argentine Exiles Plan 'Liberation Junta'

MONTEVIDEO, Oct. 11 (ALN).—Leading Argentine political exiles, who have denied the statements made in New York by Prof. Felix Cernuschi that they have set up

a Junta of Liberation and plan a government-in-exile, pointed out today that there has been talk of establishing a Junta, but that it has not been set up.

They said that Cernuschi could not have been appointed representative of such a Junta in the U. S., as he had stated, since it had not been formed when he left.

Cernuschi, a Socialist and former professor at the University of Tucuman, gave a press interview Oct. 2 at the offices of The Nation. He was quoted as declaring that he "represented" a group about to form in Montevideo a Liberation Junta that hoped to be recognized as a provisional government-in-exile.

Dr. Rodolfo Moreno, former Conservative governor of Buenos Aires province who may head such a Junta, declared: "The efforts to create a Junta are true, but they were not terminated when Cernuschi left." The earlier statement issued by the political exiles, he said, was made "to counter rumors from Argentina" that the exiles were in the service of a foreign power.

"Overthrow of the Argentine dictatorship," Moreno continued, "is exclusively the task of Argentines and the cooperation of the Americas will be solicited only in the moral sense."

## New Paris Courts To Convene Tuesday

The first meeting of the special Courts of Justice established to try collaborationists will be held in Paris next Tuesday, Paris radio said Wednesday.

Among the first to be tried will be the alleged killers of Georges Mandel, former cabinet minister who served in many governments under the third republic.

## WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and The Worker are 35c per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum).

DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, Wednesday at 4 P.M.

Tomorrow—Manhattan

"REVIEW OF THE WEEK"—Dumbarton Oaks and the Future of World Organization will be discussed by Harold Collins, Friday, October 13th, 8:40 p.m. at the Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. 50c.

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## War Fund Rally Uptown Tomorrow

The Harlem Riverside-Committee East-West of the New York War Fund will fire the opening gun of the New York War Fund Drive tomorrow (Friday) at 8 p. m. at the Broadway Casino, 146th Street and Broadway.

Participating will be Newbold Morris; the Consul-General of China, Dr. Tu Tsune-Chi; Benjamin J. Davis Jr., councilman; Samuel J. Battle; Edm Vitus, Russian tenor; Ralph Cooper; Roy Eldridge, CBS trumpeter, and his band; Laura Staska, Czechoslovakian soprano; A. Pressman, pianist, Hubert T. Delany; the Rev. Msgr. McCann, Hope R. Stevens; Charles Collins; Nadia Turonda and her Ukrainian singing quartet.

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## Tory Rift in British Cabinet

By MALCOLM McEWEN

LONDON, Oct. 11.—The departure of Churchill and Eden for Moscow to spur the job of winning the war has to some extent overshadowed a government crisis revealed last Friday.

The crisis was brought about by extreme Tory reactionaries whose devotion to the cause of rent and profits has far exceeded their zeal for victory against fascism.

The immediate issue in the Town and Country Bill, which originally had a clause calling for compensation to owners of blitzed properties on the basis of 1939 land values. The big land-owning Tories insist on getting a great deal more.

As a result of Conservative pressure, a compromise had been reached which the Labor ministers did not approve, but agreed to for the sake of unity. However that was upset by Conservative pressure, as Labor Minister Ernest Bevin revealed Saturday.

If the Tories persist they will incur not only strong Labor hostility, but criticism in their own ranks, as today's London Times indicate. It declares the Government must overcome its difficulties in developing a real policy for the rebuilding of bombed towns.

Difference between the parties in the government coalition have to be thrashed out, and there is no harm in that. But there is a great deal of harm in a cabinet crisis and the damage it does to national unity when the war is by no means won.

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# Vets' Future in Strong Unions: Murray

Below we reprint excerpts from the address of Philip Murray, president of the CIO, delivered Tuesday night at Times Hall on "Labor and the Veterans." Mr. Murray's address is the most rounded out statement of labor on the problem that has yet been made. It is also a refutation of the distortions that newspapers have published of the CIO's position on the problem.

Labor's greatest contribution to the veteran is our fight for security for all workers. We have upheld wage and employment standards for the service man at the same time we have upheld them for industrial workers. The strength of the labor unions is the assurance to returned service men that they will be protected in a buyer's market for human labor, so that the boss cannot shove them around.

When there is employment only for any fraction of all the people in the labor market their is unemployment for some other fraction, whose lack of purchasing power is a constant threat of unemployment to those who do have jobs.



The Congress of Industrial Organizations contends that every person once in uniform has a call on a job. And we believe there can be a job for every veteran only in a high level of economic activity with jobs for all.

Some will come back unable to work; for them the CIO supports an adequate program of hospitalization and rehabilitation. Every injured veteran must have help on as large a scale as is necessary to give him the opportunity to be as useful an American as he can be. Those who are not incapacitated have plenty to be concerned about.

## ADJUSTMENT PROBLEM

The fact finders tell us that one question above all others is constantly being voiced by our men in uniform: Will I have a job when I get back to civilian life?

The GI Bill of Rights and the Selective Service Act both provide certain protection and assistance for demobilized service men not available for other citizens. . . . The only complaint of the CIO is that these legislative measures are too restrictive . . .

## TIED TO STATE CURBS

For example: The maximum unemployment compensation payments are larger than the small benefit amounts provided under the existing state laws, and their

possible duration is longer. But administration is tied to the disqualifying and limiting provisions of the inadequate state laws, so that most veterans will have less than the usually publicized amounts and some will get nothing. . . . We of the CIO do not feel that veterans are adequately cared for by the existing legislation. . . .

Perhaps no point is as glaringly deficient as the provisions of Section 8 of the Selective Service Act. . . .

There is no provision for a service man with a disability—service-connected or otherwise—which might prevent him from performing the work he did before entering service.

## WAR-CREATED JOBS

Selective Service has ruled that protection does not apply to those workers whose job was temporary, that is, war-created or in the place of a man already in military service. When four or five young men successively leave the same job for combat, only the first who held it has a claim to get it back.

There is no provision for those who went to war directly from school, or who were unemployed when inducted. . . .

Then, too, the man who left a permanent job must apply for it again within a limited number of days after he is honorably dis-

charged and can receive it if the employer's changed circumstances do not make it impossible or unreasonable for the boss to give it back. Expansion, upgrading, dilution of jobs and plant shutdowns while the fellow is in service have erased or blurred the outlines of original jobs.

And again, the re-employment protection provided in Section 8 prevails only for a period of one year.

## GOOD FOR 1 IN 5

All in all, these limitations mean that about one out of every five veterans will have some valid claim on a job and that for only 12 months.

Labor seeks for both re-employment and new employment of veterans on the basis of accrued seniority. Accrued seniority means that the months spent in military service shall be added to any time previously at work. In the case of men who never previously had a job, it means immediate credit for the months spent in military service when the veteran is employed.

Such an arrangement maintains the existing seniority provision of collective agreements, and assures that veterans of 1917 and 1918 also will be secure in their jobs.

In addition to the protection of the veteran on the job, labor unions will advance his welfare in the legislative field.

## Let 'er Roll

By ESTHER CANTOR

More than 90 percent renewal averages in subscriptions for The Worker were recorded in recent weeks by two communities in Manhattan, revealing new methods for overcoming the serious loss of readers through lapsed subscriptions.

The high rate of renewals, following months of complete neglect to expiring subscriptions, proves the need for new approaches.

The Chelsea Club, which has been obtaining four new subscriptions and renewals every day, six days a week, has established a committee of four whose only activity is to canvass those in the neighborhood with expiring subscriptions to The Worker.

Those on the committee canvass regularly, learning the best approaches and developing business-like methods of work.

They have discovered that the easiest renewals are obtained from those readers whose subscriptions still have two or three weeks to go, rather than readers whose subs have expired.

In addition, the canvassing has resulted in many suggestions from readers as to whom to approach for new subscriptions.

Instead of dividing the expiring and expired subscriptions on a volunteer basis to different individuals in the club, these four members are permanently assigned, studying every phase of the work.

## PERMANENT COMMITTEES

While the whole club membership is involved in obtaining new subscriptions, with the press committee interviewing each member for new readers in the community and in the shops, the club renewal committee is permanent.

Most spectacular proof of how the caliber of the renewal canvasser, on a permanent assignment, will determine the rate of renewals, was revealed in the experiences in Harlem, where Frances Loman has undertaken a full time job of obtaining new subscriptions and renewals.

In her first week, she obtained 66 new subs and renewal, with a 98 percent renewal rate.

Mrs. Loman found as part of her activity for renewals that she was expected to explain and mobilize for registration, analyze current political trends, answer and expose misconceptions and lies being spread by defeatists.

Despite these two bright spots, more than 50 percent of the clubs in Manhattan have not developed this specialized approach to renewals, combining stable organization with a political alertness.

## USE BEST CANVASSERS

Haphazard canvassing of readers whose subscriptions have lapsed, failure to visit readers of The Worker before the subscriptions have expired, failure to establish a small committee of permanently assigned canvassers for renewals, is in good measure responsible for the high rate of expirations.

The county press committee is now engaged in examining the educational activity of every club, with special emphasis on the Daily Worker and The Worker.

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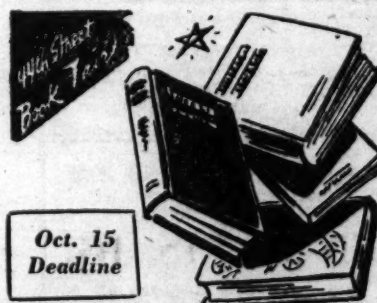
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# In this corner

Sgt. Joe Louis, World Citizen,  
Is Home Again

Bill Mardo

It was an older, more mature Joe Louis who sat before a flock of reporters at the offices of the Army Special Services headquarters here in New York, just several hours after alighting from a plane which carried him back from North Africa.

King Joe was home—home after many months of overseas boxing exhibitions in England, Africa and Italy. This universally beloved person is now truly a citizen of the world. He'd spent a little while with the Fifth Army in Italy and even helped blast some artillery into the Gothic Line. Twelve nights of robot-bombing in England was also part of his amazing agenda which brought him before some two-million admiring doughboys all over the world.

Staff Sgt. Joe Louis, only ten pounds above his best fighting weight, had a lot to tell the sports scribes surrounding him at 25 W. 43rd St. And as he spoke with his usual simple eloquence, you could feel the tremendous growth of Joe Louis the man.

What probably affected Joe most on his tour was the realization of how much he means to our soldiers. An American aviator, badly burned and nearly blind, wanted his bandages removed when Joe visited the hospital, so that he could see the champ. Bandages were lifted gently, the injured airman looked at the quiet Negro champion . . . and smiled contentedly.

At another American base hospital, one terribly wounded soldier was on his way to the operating room, but before the doctor was going to remove shrapnel from his stomach, wouldn't they please let him see Joe Louis? The champ was brought in, and the kid was happier.

"Those two boys are what I remember most," Louis said soberly. They made me feel like I was doing something. I never heard how they made out, but I wish I knew. Talk about courage. Those fellows in the hospital, they've got it. A kind of courage that's real."

Sgt. Joe Louis, who'd rather meet those Nazis face to face than put on exhibitions, is nonetheless convinced now that he's been given an important job: "The boys like it. I know they like it and so I like it, too. Maybe later I can box for the sailors."

Possessed of a razor-sharp wit, Joe time and again had the writers roaring as he interspersed his remarks with some extemporaneous gags that he tossed off with the same snappy suddenness that has always featured his punching speed. When asked if he thought the next heavyweight champion would come out of the Army, Joe grinned: "You don't think a 4-F can win the championship, do you?"

Joe told the reporters that he'd like to defend his title if the war ends soon enough. What did he mean by "soon enough," inquired one scribe.

"About next week," the champ chuckled. But in a more serious vein, Louis confided that he has no immediate plans of hanging up the gloves once the war is won. "I've been keeping in good condition, and if you're in shape, a heavyweight can keep goin' till he's 35." Joe is only 30, which is the tip-off as to how long he thinks he can stay on top.

While Joe has tremendous respect for the fighting abilities of many soldiers he's sparred with, his impression of Freddie Mills, the English heavyweight, wasn't too favorable.

"Mills throws his right from low and a way back, and his left like Carl Hubbell used to pitch." Which is Joe's way of saying that Billy Conn is still his number one opponent.

It was revealed by Louis' commanding officer, former sports editor Captain Fred Maly, that the champion was with the Fifth Army when some Nazi prisoners were brought in. Hitler's punch-drunk palookas were plenty surprised to find Max Schmeling's conqueror at the fighting front.

But they shouldn't have been too astonished. For Joe Louis is a fighting man and people like him prefer to see Nazis close-up.

# The Adventures of Richard

Dewey Is a Joik

By Mike Singer

The kids were embroiled in a political discussion on the curb last night.

"My father is going to vote for the President," Richard said.

"My family also is for FDR," Menash asserted. "My father says Dewey is a shlemiel."

"What's that?" Fatso asked.

"A shlemiel is a joik, a guy who can't do nothing right," Fiekel explained.

"I got a uncle who is for Dewey," No-Nose said.

"So he's a joik too," Richard said.

"He ain't," No-Nose declared.

"Who's your father voting for?" Fiekel asked of No-Nose.

"He don't tell me."

"My father says FDR is smart and Dewey is a pal of guys that made people sell apples when there was no work 'or nobody," Richard continued.

"So what's wrong with apples?" No-Nose asked, "I like them."

"You know, sometimes you're so dumb, you don't know nothing," Richard accused No-Nose.

"Well, I don't get this politics stuff. How come you know so much?"

"My father tells me. He makes me read the papers sometimes when I'm in the house."

Jimmy who had been listening now said:

"In my house my mother is for the President but my father says he thinks he'll vote for Dewey."

"Wow, that'll bust up your whole house," Menash warned.

"No, they don't fight, they just argue all the time."

"Who's right?" No-Nose asked.

"I don't know. If I say my mother then my father says I'm hanging out with wrong friends. If I say my father, my mother tells me I'm as bad as he is."

"Anyway, what do you know about it?" Fiekel said, "you can't vote."

"Yeah, but we can listen, can't we?" Richard replied.

"Me, I'd rather listen to the Lone Ranger," No-Nose insisted.

Which just about ended the discussion.

# Hoopsters Come Back Dec. 7

Eighteen twin-bill basketball engagements are scheduled for this season's indoor hoop doings at Madison Square Garden, commencing Dec. 6 when CCNY and NYU tackle Detroit and Rochester respectively.

At a special luncheon given by impresario Ned Irish, the increase by two over last year's games at the Garden was disclosed.

As announced by Irish, the schedule will bring back nearly all the out-of-town drawing cards, as well as marking the debut of Valparaiso, Hamline, Texas Christian, Akron and Puerto Rico.

Notre Dame and Howard Cann's NYU hoopsters will tangle at the Garden on Feb. 19, with the indoor season's big finale on March 7 or thereabouts bringing together City College and the Violets.

Reports from St. John's, City and NYU reveal that those local squads are pretty well stocked with veterans. Joe Lapchick's five in particular is very well off, with the return of Hy Gotkin, Ray Wortis, Bill Kotsos and Ivy Summers.

Over at NYU, Howard Cann still has the services Sid Tannenbaum, Howie Sarath, Herb Walsh, John Derderian, Marty Goldstein and Frank Mangiapano. Big break for Cann is the return from the Marine Corps of Al Grenert.

Nat Holman at City will still keep Paul Schmunes, Hal Korovin, Sy Friedman and Johnny Oates—in addition to the recent Army discharge of Bill Levine.

Hard-hit LIU notes the retention of only Sol Rothman, Irv Eskenazi and Vince Tedeschi. Little Brooklyn College still has the services of veterans Mike Wittlin and Bob Leder.

Over at St. Francis college, coach Joe Brennan has only one holdover from last year, Joe Sullivan. Mentor Elmer Ripley at Columbia has managed to keep Walt Budko and Howie Bobel.

Yessir, it looks like N. Y. U., St. John's, and City College have been smiled upon by Dame Luck, because their squads are loaded with plenty of seasoned hoopsters.

# RADIO

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WEAF—680 Kc.  
WOR—710 Kc.  
WJZ—730 Kc.  
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## 11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF—Road of Life  
WOR—News—Tro Harper  
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman  
WABC—Honeymoon Hill  
11:15-WEAF—Rosemary—Sketch  
WOR—Talk and Music  
WABC—Second Husband  
11:30-WEAF—Star Playhouse  
WJZ—News; Jack Berch, Songs  
WABC—Bright Horizon  
WMCA—News; Dorsey Records  
11:45-WEAF—David Harum  
WOR—Toby's Topics  
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories

## NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—News Reports  
WJZ—Glamor Manor  
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat  
12:15-WEAF—Talk—Maggi McNellis  
WOR—Mealtime Melodies  
WABC—Big Sister  
12:30-WEAF—Sky High; Variety Show  
WOR—News; Juke Box  
WJZ—News; Farm and Home Makers  
WABC—Hello Town  
12:45-WEAF—Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR—Consumer Quiz  
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage, News  
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
1:15-WEAF—Terry's House Party  
WJZ—Women's Exchange Show  
WABC—Ma Perkins  
1:30-WOR—Lopez Orchestra  
WABC—Bernardine Flynn, News  
1:45-WEAF—Morgarr Beatty, News  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WABC—The Goldbergs

## 2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light  
WOR—Cedric Foster, News  
WJZ—News Comments  
WABC—Joyce Jordan, M.D.  
2:15-WEAF—Today's Children  
WOR—Talk—Jane Cowi  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WABC—Two on a Clue  
2:30-WEAF—Women in White  
WOR—News; Real Stories  
WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated  
WABC—Young Dr. Malone  
2:45-WEAF—Hymns of All Churches  
WABC—Perry Mason  
3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America  
WOR—Martha Deane Program  
WJZ—Morton Downey

# The Roundup Marion and Doerr Named Most Valuable

by Phil Gordon

World Series hero and Cardinal shortstop Marty Marion was named the most valuable player in the National League by the leading baseball weekly, Sporting News. The awards, made in St. Louis Tuesday, also

chose Bobby Doerr, shortstop guardian for the Boston Red Sox, as the most valuable player in the junior loop.

The award to Doerr bore special semblance because it was the first time a man unable to complete the season had been voted the honor. Doerr, called into the armed service in August, left behind a .325 batting average, only two points short of the league leading figure. Additionally, he was regarded as one of the better fielding second basemen of all time.

Marion's award was expected since he has been termed the greatest fielding shortstop of all time and it has been said that his presence in the infield saves Cardinal pitchers five or more hits per game. He is a long ball hitter and exceedingly dangerous in the clutch. He hit .269 during the season and was the standout performer in the world series.

The National Baseball Weekly also created a special award of merit for pitchers, pointing out that hurlers are at a disadvantage in the most valuable player award because they do not play every day. They named Hal Newhouser of the Detroit Tigers who won 23 games over the season and nearly pitched his team to the American League pennant, and Rookie Bill Voiselle of the New York Giants who won 21 games in his first season and with a fifth place club.

Professional football rules-makers are mulling one of the most potentially thrilling plays of the game by failing to provide an opportunity for a defending to run back a missed field goal attempt. Coach Earl (Greasy) Neale of the Philadelphia Eagles said yesterday.

Neale, whose well-drilled Na-

tional League eleven is favored to win the championship, says he is going to recommend abolition of the rule preventing such action by a defending team next year.

"I've never been able to understand why we can't run a missed field goal attempt from the end zone," he said "there is a situation where one team is absolutely helpless in an offensive way."

Neale said that, "with luck," the Eagles will be a "very tough team to beat."

"We have a good training ball club—everybody abides by the rules—and our morale is excellent. The addition of players like Baptiste Banzini, Vic Lindsog and Steve Van Buren have strengthened us considerably."

Neale said he expected most trouble to come from the New York Giants, "always a tough team for us to beat."

"I won't predict a title for the Eagles, but you can say that we won't meet Don Hutson and the Green Bay Packers, who knocked us out of a title playoff last year, unless we meet them in the title playoffs this year," he said.

## Orange Bowl Bound?

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 10 (UP).—With this season's orange bowl football game more than two months away, C. F. (Jack) Baldwin of the Orange Bowl schedule committee revealed today that his committee had its eye on almost two dozen teams as possible entries for the New Year's day classic.

Ten southern teams were on the preliminary list, Baldwin said. They are:

Georgia Tech, Alabama, Tennessee, Auburn, Mississippi state, Wake Forest, Tulane, Duke, Georgia and Louisiana State.

WOR—Victory Is Our Business  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
WABC—Passing Parade  
7:30-WEAF—Bob Burns, Comedy  
WOR—Arthur Hale, News  
WJZ—Play—Charlie Chan  
WABC—Mr. Keen  
WMCA—Johannes Steel, News  
7:45-WOR—The Answer Man  
WMCA—Liberal Party Talk  
8:00-WEAF—Frank Morgan Show  
WOR—Frank Singiser, News  
WJZ—News Comments  
WABC—Suspense—Play  
WMCA—News; Recorded Music  
8:15-WOR—Senator Robert Wagner  
WJZ—Lum and Abner  
8:30-WEAF—Dinah Shore Show  
WJZ—Town Meeting  
WABC—Death Valley Sheriff  
8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News

## 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WEAF—Music Hall  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter, News  
WABC—Major Bowes Amateur  
WMCA—News; Recorded Music  
9:15-WOR—Screen Test  
WMCA—Open House Forum  
9:30-WEAF—Joan Davis, Jack Haley  
WOR—Starlight Serenade  
WJZ—Spotlight Band  
WABC—Corliss Archer—Play  
10:00-WEAF—Abbott and Costello  
WOR—Talk—Warren Atherton  
WJZ—John W. Vandercook, News  
WABC—The First Line  
WMCA—News, Music  
10:15-WOR—Talk—Dale Carnegie  
WJZ—American Liberal Party Talk  
10:30-WEAF—March of Time  
WOR—Symphonic Music  
WJZ—Side Show, Dave Elman  
WABC—Variety Musical  
WMCA—Frank Kingdom, News  
10:45-WMCA—Musical Encores  
11:00-WEAF—News, Music  
WJZ—WABC—News, Music  
WMCA—News; Recorded Music  
11:30-WEAF—Music in American Cities  
WJZ—Concert Orchestra  
WABC—Viva America, Variety  
12:00-WEAF—News, Music  
WOR, WABC—News, Music

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## Hollywood Report

## Screen Republicans Front for Dewey

By Ted Taylor

HOLLYWOOD (FP).—Doorbell pushers for Tom Dewey come cheap in Hollywood. You can get them for half a million dollars a dozen. The Hollywood for Dewey Committee of 125 willing workers has

Lionel Barrymore as chairman, Ginger Rogers as vice chairman. It's a democratic—pardon—Republican cross section of the movie industry representing stars, directors, executives, writers, talent agents and attorneys. There's also a sprinkling of small fry around the \$10,000 mark to show that the rank and file is welcome.

Hollywood learned it was for Dewey through ad spreads listing the committee's glamorous constituents and declaring Dewey will "restore this country to the basis of law through duly established legislative processes rather than law by executive order and bureaucratic fiat."

It's hard to tell what they're so excited about outside of income taxes. Ten of the committee members are from the executive board of the Motion Picture Alliance for Preservation of American Ideals which until now has spread the impression that producers or writers talking politics must be Communists.

## MAYBE A SPLIT

There may have been a split in MPA because here are Sam Wood, King Vidor, Clarence Brown, Barbara Stanwyck, Walt Disney and Ginger's mother, Lela Rogers, pitching right into political work.

In whipping together the Hollywood for Dewey committee, its plush lined sponsors made the mistake of including the name of an ardent Roosevelt follower and member of the National Citizens Political Action Committee, Author Ben Hecht, a member of the Screen Writers Guild.

Hecht penned the following correction to film trade papers: "I'm a humble, slightly confused follower of Mr. Roosevelt. My confusion arises out of wonder whether I admire Mr. Roosevelt or dislike his enemies." Regarding the HFD committee, Hecht quipped: "It's composed of people frightened of anybody who gets less than \$1,000 a week."

Hollywood Deweyites held a monster (and we mean "monster") rally at Los Angeles Coliseum with

## Czech Music Festival

On the eve of Czechoslovakia's liberation, the American Friends of Czechoslovakia sponsor The Czechoslovak Independence Day Concert in Carnegie Hall, Tuesday night, Oct. 31.

The New York Philharmonic Symphony-Orchestra will play under the baton of Bruno Walter who interrupts his sabbatical year to lead this historic festival of Czechoslovak music (Smetana, Dvorak, and Novak). Jarmila Novotna will sing.

## Benjamin Zemach's New Group

Under the auspices of the Jewish Fraternal People's Order (IWO), a new theatre group consisting of former Artel Players and other talented actors has been formed for the purpose of producing worthwhile plays in an unorthodox style.

The first play to be produced, The Downfall of Haman, will go into rehearsal on Tuesday, Oct. 17.

As part of the activities of the new group, a theatre studio is being organized under the guidance of Mr. Zemach and with the assistance of a staff of competent instructors. A special course in Yiddish will be provided for interested students.

Auditions for applicants will be held on Saturday between 3 and 5 P. M. at the Zemach Studio, 430 Sixth Avenue.

Cecil B. DeMille as master of the spectacle. Meantime 20,000 real rank and file members of the studio unions and guilds are plugging along at real doorbell ringing to get out a united labor vote behind Roosevelt and progressives.

Possibly some of the Dewey pluggers were attracted by bright lights. Someone asked how come Jinx Falkenberg was listed. She said: "Oh, Ginger called up my mother and asked if it was all right to use my name." If Jinx is a good girl between now and Nov. 7 her mother may let her vote, too.

## MUSIC

## A Delightful Evening of Song

by Louis Kantorovsky

Henri Mondy, baritone, gave his first Town Hall recital since his honorable discharge from the United States Army, last Friday. It was a delightful evening, with singing of a high order, for Mr. Mondy not only

has a rare voice of rich texture but also projects each song with skill and understanding. The audience enjoyed his offerings and would not leave until the artist had sung four encores.

Folk songs from his native South Africa, from England and from Italy were beautifully done. Those of us who are interested in these lovely melodies, their migrations and changes under new conditions of life, found an interesting similarity between the South African folk song, Sarie Marais, which Mr. Mondy sang so tenderly, and the old British song The Foggy Foggy Dew.

The program included a group of German lieder by Schumann, Schubert and Brahms; an operatic aria by the Frenchman Jules Massenet; some songs in English; a traditional Russian lullaby and a Cossack song "Like Dark Clouds of a Storm" by the brothers Dmitri and Dan Pocrass, and The Secret of Your Heart by Anton Rolland which is still in manuscript and was dedicated to Mr. Mondy.

## Youth Salute Norman Corwin

When Norman Corwin receives his award from the Salute to Young America Committee at their dinner at the Hotel Commodore on Oct. 18, on the speakers dais to honor him will be Magistrate Anna M. Kross and Dean Dixon who will deliver the principal speeches of the evening.

Fredric March, Elisabeth Bergner and Moss Hart will make the presentations.



Solomon Mikos, famous Soviet actor who recently paid a good-will visit to the United States, is featured in the Soviet film Return of Nathan Becker, now in its third week at the Irving Place Theatre. The co-feature is Sholem Aleichem's Laughter Through Tears.

## Artists, Writers At Fast Tribute

There's no greater proof that artists are meeting the challenge of history than the fact that writers like Howard Fast produce books like Freedom Road at this crucial time.

This will be the theme of the meeting in tribute to Howard Fast which will take place on Friday evening, Oct. 13 at 8 p. m. at the City Center Casino, 131 West 55 St.

Dr. E. Franklin Frazier, eminent Howard University sociologist, and Doxey Wilkerson, executive editor of People's Voice, will join Samuel Sillen, literary editor of the Daily Worker, in the tribute to Mr. Fast. Howard Fast will participate in the proceedings. Music will be contributed by Josh White and Three Dots and a Dash, a mixed quartet under the direction of Sam Morgenstern.

Tickets, which are 90 cents, are now on sale at the bookshops.

## Harry Langdon Signed For Cantinflas Film

Harry Langdon, veteran screen comedian and writer, has been signed by RKO Radio to collaborate as comedy constructionist on the script for the untitled feature which will star Cantinflas, the Mexican film star.

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## RADIO

## 'Star Spangled Story' Of America in Song

by Ann Seymour

We finally got a chance to study carefully The Star Spangled Story, the new 15-minute show that's broadcast over station WLIB every Sunday at 6 and we don't see how anyone can afford to overlook it, especially in the present period.

Sponsored by the Brooklyn Communist Political Association and produced by Stanley Wilde, this new fledgling is utilizing, in song and story, the whole sphere of Americana—as a guide to correct political action.

This past Sunday the show presented "Are You Registered," a deft script which intriguingly drew upon the "Spirit of History" to clarify the registration problem and really get out the vote for FDR. It was convincingly drawn and directed with a sound professional touch. The story was written by Betsy Allen, a talented newcomer. The musical illustrations, which were masterly uses of Earl Robinson's hit Hell Bent for Election, were simply rendered by the Jefferson Chorus. The inclusion of the chorus with the Robinson tune throughout was a stroke of genius.

Previous programs have been Haym Salomon and The Constitution of the United States, both written by Stanley Wilde, and the lyrical Freedom's Plow by Langston Hughes. Next week's story is titled Columbus Discovers Italy, another script by Betsy Allen that spotlights the entire Italian question and gives us good know-how on why Italian Americans should support our Commander in Chief.

We recommend it. It's a 15 minute dish that can tempt the most discriminating. The group in Brooklyn deserves a loud "huzzah" for realizing on one of the prime perspectives outlined at the State Convention of the CPA and merits the widest support. Tell your friends about it. It certainly can get votes.

for the right people and it certainly can entertain.

## Rodzinski Plays Shostakovitch

Shostakovitch's Eighth Symphony will be given a repeat performance by the New York Philharmonic-Symphony under the direction of Dr. Artur Rodzinski today, Sunday, (WABC-CBS, 3:00 to 4:30 p. m.)

When the Eighth Symphony was first performed by the Philharmonic-Symphony April 2, it was hailed by many musicians as a work of great power and imagination and an advance over the young Soviet composer's earlier work.

Shostakovitch completed his Eighth Symphony late in the Summer of 1943.

## 'Night of Stars'

Five hundred outstanding personalities of the entertainment world are expected to assemble at the forthcoming 11th annual Night of Stars, scheduled to take place at Madison Square Garden, Tuesday evening, Nov. 14, according to Robert M. Weitman, chairman of the producing committee, who yesterday released some of the names of the stars.

## Roth Quartet

The first concert of the chamber music course will take place Saturday evening, Oct. 28, at the Washington Irving High School, the Roth Quartet will then appear.

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# Late Bulletins

## Illinois Court Blocks Lewis' Expulsion of Autonomy Leaders

By OTTO H. WANGELIN

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 11. — Attempts by John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers head, to expell 12 Illinois mine workers leaders fighting for democracy and self government, was frustrated today by a restraining order issued by the Sangamon County circuit court.

The 12 men took court action to stop the high handed attempt of Lewis to expel them from the union.

The circuit court enjoined the executive board of the UMWA from holding hearings that might lead to the expulsion of the autonomy

movement leaders.

The mine leaders involved were prominent in the fight for autonomy at the recent UMWA convention in Cincinnati, and opposed Lewis' one-man control of the union.

The court action was taken as Lewis sent three of his appointed officials to Springfield to carry through the expulsion of the autonomy movement leaders on the charge of dual unionism. The group seeking self government for the miners was headed by Ray Edmundson, formerly Illinois UMWA president.

## Bulgaria Accepts Big 3 Terms

LONDON, Oct. 11 (UP).—Bulgaria has accepted preliminary peace terms laid down by the Soviet Union, the United States and Great Britain, the Soviet Tass agency announced tonight in a statement broadcast by Radio Moscow.

The statement said that the three Allied powers had informed Bulgaria today that a preliminary to an armistice was the evacuation by Bulgarian troops and administrative staffs of occupied Greek and Macedonian areas within 15 days.

The three allies, Tass said, would send representatives to supervise and control the evacuation. These will act as a united military commission under the chairmanship of a Soviet representative.

## Threatened Matt Smith Strike Called Off

CLEVELAND, Oct. 11 (UP).—The threatened general strike of 70,000 members of the Mechanics Educational Society, originally set for 10 a.m. tomorrow, was called off today, Matthew Smith, national secretary of the independent union, announced.

Smith, who has often spoken against the war and expressed doubts whether labor should support it, had threatened to call out workers from 64 Cleveland, Detroit and Toledo war plants, to force reinstatement of a single worker fired weeks ago in connection with the breakage of a 75-cent lock. He was warned yesterday by Under-Secretary of War Robert Patterson that a stoppage would be a "criminal betrayal" of the nation's interests.

## Ohio CIO Parley Reaffirms No-Strike Pledge

CLEVELAND, Oct. 11.—Thundering reaffirmation to the no-strike pledge was voted by the Ohio CIO convention. Without opposition or dissenting vote a resolution calling on all CIO affiliates to pursue "this wise and patriotic policy" was passed.

## Hear Mikolajczyk Going to Moscow Parley

LONDON, Oct. 11 (UP).—Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk of the Polish government-in-exile has accepted an invitation to join the conferences in Moscow of Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Premier Joseph Stalin and will leave for the Soviet capital soon, it was reported here today.

## First Army Storming Aachen; Nazis Hurl Tanks at Siege Line

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ed snipers at the city's exits, scores of enemy troops could stand no more and made their way to the American lines, just beyond the railroad underpass from the main city. A total of 248 was counted, including one intact company, representing possibly a sixth of the entire garrison, estimated at 1,500 to 2,000.

At Antwerp, Canadian troops captured Woensdrecht, 15 miles north of the Belgian port and in a veer to the northwest cut across both the railway and highway connecting the Germans on the Schelde estuary islands with the Dutch mainland. The Canadians then inched on to the narrow Beveland Isthmus and were only about 27 miles from a "junction" with flood waters from the broken seawall on Walcheren Island, with about 11,000 enemy troops trapped in between.

On the south side of the Schelde, Allied troops who landed amphibiously behind the German lines were reinforced and advancing

deeper inland toward a junction with Canadian troops pushing up from the Leopold canal. Pressure on the Canadians was decreasing, possibly indicating a German withdrawal to the coast to the southwest where their guns could no longer command Antwerp channel.

On the U. S. Third Army front, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's troops, after three weeks of bitter fighting, cleared the Parroy forest and entered the town of Parroy.

Two light counter-attacks were repulsed in the Nancy sector, while heavy fighting continued in the streets and houses of Malzieux les Metz, five miles northwest of Metz.

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The First Lady of the land came to Harlem Tuesday night to tell a non-partisan registration rally that it is the responsibility of every voter to make his wish known at the polls. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is seen with Dr. Channing Tobias, leading Republican, who told the 5,000 gathered at Golden Gate that Gov. Dewey received the GOP nomination because he was "governed by counsels of caution as regards race relations."

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—Daily Worker Photo.

## The Veteran Commander

### TWO TRAPS SNAP SHUT

WHILE it is idle to speculate as to the number of German troops trapped in the Baltic and in the lower Balkans, it is clear that a sizable number of enemy divisions have been cut off by the two latest thrusts of the Red Army on the flanks of the Eastern Front.

The armies of General Bagration have plunged forward with terrific speed and have reached the Baltic seaboard north of Klaipeda (Memel) at Polanga. Thus all land routes of escape from the Riga-Libau-Ventspils triangle have been cut, and General Lindemann's armies will either have to attempt a head-on breakout of the trap across the Neimen or worm their way by sea under the guns of the Baltic Fleet and the Soviet batteries now installed on the Island of Oesel, of which the Germans hold only the southern tip.

Soviet troops are only about 18 miles from Tilsit, and General Cherniakovsky is advancing on the border of East Prussia along the southern bank of the Neimen.

A veil of secrecy has been drawn over the operations on the Narev, and it is likely that General Zakharov is about ready to launch a blow in the direction of the Lower Vistula to complete the encirclement of East Prussia.

At the opposite end of the front, Soviet troops have cut across the mountains of northeastern Serbia and have cut the Nish-Belgrade railroad by capturing the station of Velika Plana. At the same time Marshal Tito's troops have cut the Belgrade-Budapest line between Novi Sad and Subotitz. Thus all German troops south of the Danube-Sava line are in a trap. However, it is prob-

able that some of them will get out, because the western secondary lines of retreat (the Ibar Valley, for instance) are threatened by Tito's Partisans only, and it cannot be expected that these Partisans will be able to withstand a concentrated German dash. This is why all talk about "150,000 Germans in Greece" being trapped is premature.

GENERAL HODGES' troops are storming Aachen, whose garrison refused an offer to surrender. By the way, the report of the complete encirclement of Aachen appears to have been premature because we have been told now that the Germans had reinforced their garrison there (of course, this might have been done by air, but this is improbable in view of our undisputed supremacy in the air).

The British and Canadians are making progress in their fight for the southern bank of the Schelde estuary as well as for the trapping of thousands of German troops on the islands north of that estuary.

IN the boldest sweep of the war in the Pacific, our task force has attacked Japanese installations and bases in the Riukiu Islands which stretch like a chain between Japan and Formosa and "rope off" the East China Sea. Practically all Japanese air power and shipping in the Riukiu's have been destroyed (close to 60 enemy ships were sunk or damaged and 90 planes destroyed). The foray was under command of Admiral Halsey. Our plane losses were reported light in this closest approach to the Japanese homeland by our Navy.

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